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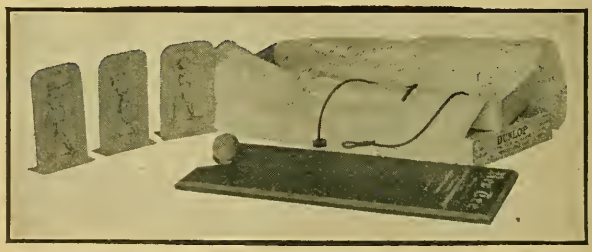

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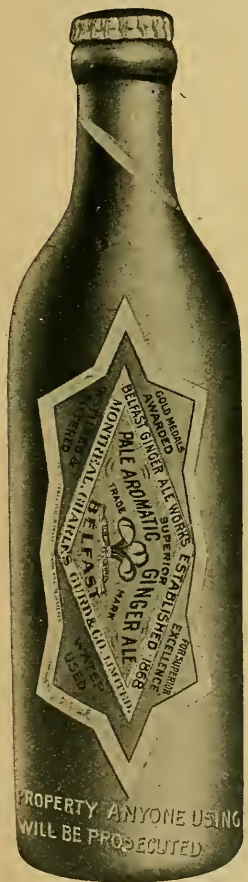

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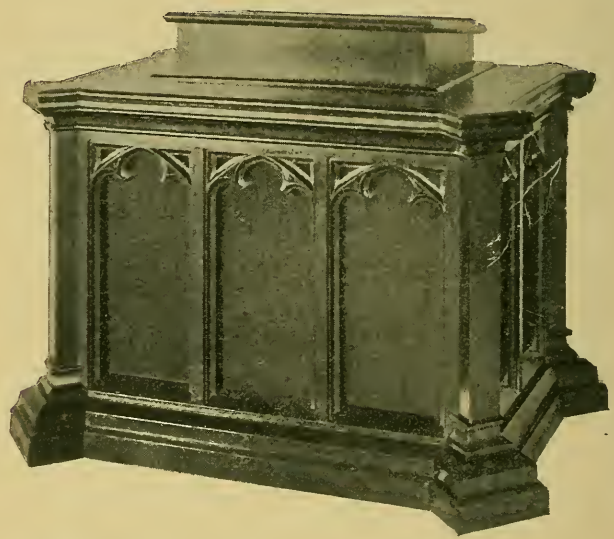

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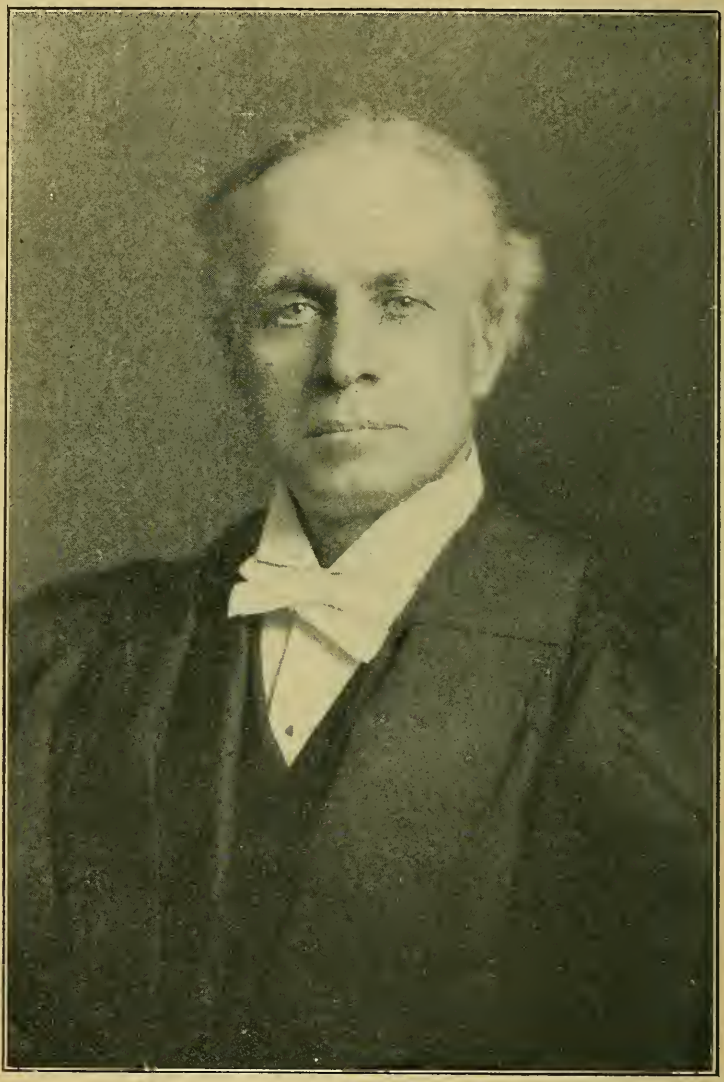

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(C) Ministers applying for membership shall present their certificates of membership in a Congregational Church and in the Association within whose bounds they reside, or if resident in territory not organized as an Association, the written recommendation of three members of the Union.

(D) Ministers, being members of a Congregational Church, who bear regular letters of transfer from a kindred Congregational organization and those who furnish evidence of having completed a course of study in the Congregational College of Canada, and those who have passed the Three Years' Union Course under the care of an Association or of the Union Executive, and having been ordained to the ministry, may be received at once on these grounds.

(E) Other ministers shall be required to bring proof of (1) their membership in a Congregational Church; (2) their ordination to the ministry; (3) their good standing in the denomination from which they come; (4) they will satisfy the Membership Committee in relation to their doctrinal and ecclesiastical views and their literary acquirements, their course of study to have been at least equal to the Three Years' Course adopted by the Union; (5) should the Membership Committee be satisfied on these points and recommend the applicant for membership, the recommendation shall be filed with the Recording Secretary, and the application shall then lie over until the next annual meeting, when a vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be requisite for admission into membership.

II. Ministerial Standing

(A) By vote of the various Associations and of the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, ministerial standing will hereafter be in this Union and transfer to our own denomination in other countries and to other denominations shall hereafter be given by this Union only.

(B) Unless engaged in religious or educational work approved by the Union, a minister who has retired from the pastorate or official service of the denomination and follows some other calling, by which he makes his living, may be dropped from the roll unless he make yearly request that his name be retained, this request to be endorsed by the Congregational Church of which he is a member.

(C) Any member of the Union soliciting funds from the public must on request of the Union submit either personally or through a responsible committee, a statement of such funds satisfactory to the Union; failing this his name shall be dropped from the roll.

III.—Meetings of the Union

The Union shall meet annually on the Tuesday after the first Sunday in June.

The opening session shall be at eight o'clock on Tuesday evening and shall consist of the Annual Sermon and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. The full attendance of the Union is expected at this service.

The business sessions shall be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, beginning at 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday morning session. After prayer the minute secretary shall be appointed and the Committees on Business, Nomination, Membership, Finance and the Press, chosen on nomination by the Executive. The executive report shall then be presented, other business transacted, and the Union at 11.00 a.m. shall give place to the Canada Congregational Missionary Society.

Wednesday afternoon shall be given over to committee meetings and to a Conference on Young People's Work, under the charge of the Young People's Department.

Wednesday evening, the annual address of the Chairman shall be given.

Thursday morning session. After routine business the Chairman of the Union shall be elected by nomination and ballot as hereinafter provided. Nominees must be members of a Congregational Church in affiliation with the Union, and their consent, in writing, to accept the office, if elected, together with the nomination, must be filed with the Secretary of the Union, not later than May 1st.

Nominations are to be made by each District Association at its spring meeting. The Secretary of the Union shall, in advance of these meetings, write to the Secretaries of the various Associations, notifying them that such nomination should be made.

In addition to the nominations by the District Association, any nomination signed by any ten members of a Church or Churches in affiliation with the Union, and duly filed with the Secretary as provided above, will be a valid nomination.

Two-thirds of the ballots cast shall constitute an election.

Ballot papers shall be furnished to all members of the Union present, and the votes shall be counted by scrutineers appointed by the Chairman. If no candidate has the required number of votes, the names only of the two persons having the highest number shall be reported and another vote taken as between the two.

At this session shall be presented the annual Statistical Report. The session shall adjourn at 11.00 a.m. in favor of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society.

Friday morning session. With other business there shall be given the Annual Reports of Standing Committees and Departments.

Devotional hour. All meetings of the Union shall be opened with prayer, and there shall be held daily during the session of the Union a Devotional Hour from 12 noon to 12.45 p.m.

IV. Statistics

Application shall be made by the Statistical Secretary one month at least before the annual meeting to the Secretaries of the various Associations, and directly to churches in districts not organized as Associations, for statistics of the churches, and a brief narrative of the state of religion among them, that he may prepare a condensed narrative of the whole for presentation to the annual meeting, and for publication, if so desired.

V. Finance

A collection for the funds of the Union shall be made annually in each church, on or near the Lord's Day prior to the meeting. From this source, supplemented by collectiois taken at the Union meetings, the Finance Committee, after providing for other necessary expenses, shall pay in full if possible, the travelling fares within the bounds of Ontario and Quebec, of each ministerial member and of one delegate from each church, or if unable to pay in full, shall deduct from the claim of each such equal amount as may be found necessary; such payment shall not be made until after the final adjournment, except with permission of the Union (providing always that no member of the Union, whether ministerial or lay, attending the meetings shall receive anything for travelling expenses unless such ministerial member shall have contributed not less than one dollar, and the church represented by the delegate, not less than five dollars, to the funds of the Union).

VI. Miscellaneous Rules

(A) The term of office of the Chairman and Recording Secretary shall be the calendar year subsequent to their election, but the Chairman-elect shall from the date of election be ex-officio a member of the Executive until the end of his term as Chairman.

(B) The members of the Union shall register their attendance with the Recording Secretary in a book kept for this purpose.

(C) The minutes of the preceding day shall be read at the opening of each day's session and the minutes of the last day at the close of the session.

(D) Delegates from the Union to corresponding bodies, who cannot fulfil their appointment by personal attendance, shall address these bodies by letter, communicating in substance such information and sentiments as they would furnish if they were present at the meetings of such corresponding bodies.

ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA

Date	Place	Chairman	Secretary	Statistical Secretary
June 14-19, 1854	Montreal..	W. Clarke	K. M. Fenwick.....	.....
" 13-18, 1855	Kingston.	W. F. Clarke	"	.....
" 11-17, 1856	Hamilton..	E. J. Sherrill	"	.....
" 10-16, 1857	Montreal.	E. Ebbs	"	.....
" 9-15, 1858	Brantford.	F. H. Marling	E. Ebbs.....	.....
" 8-14, 1859	Toronto..	H. Wilkes, D.D.	"	.....
" 13-20, 1860	Montreal.	A. Lillie, D.D.	"	.....
" 12-17, 1861	Kingston.	J. Elliott	"	.....
" 11-16, 1862	Hamilton.	A. J. Parker	"	.....
" 10-15, 1863	Montreal.	W. Hay	J. Wood.....	.....
" 8-13, 1864	Brantford.	T. M. Reikie	"	.....
" 7-12, 1865	Toronto..	A. Duff, D.D.	"	.....
" 14-19, 1866	Montreal..	W. H. Allworth	"	.....
" 6-11, 1867	Kingston.	J. Climie	"	.....
" 11-15, 1868	Hamilton..	R. Robinson	F. H. Marling.....	W. W. Smith.....
" 9-14, 1869	Montreal.	H. D. Powis	"	" .....
" 8-13, 1870	Toronto..	J. Wood	"	" .....
" 7-12, 1871	Guelph...	G. Cornish, M.A.	E. Ebbs.....	E. Barker.....
" 5-10, 1872	Montreal.	K. M. Fenwick	W. F. Clarke.....	" .....
" 4- 9, 1873	Brantford.	Enoch Barker	J. A. R. Dickson...	W. W. Smith.....
" 10-15, 1874	Toronto..	J. Unsworth	K. M. Fenwick.....	" .....
" 9-15, 1875	Hamilton..	C. Chapman, M.A.	"	" .....
" 7-12, 1876	Montreal..	D. Macallum	"	.....
" 6-12, 1877	Guelph....	J. A. R. Dickson	"	.....
" 5-10, 1878	London...	R. K. Black	"	W. H. Warriner....
" 4- 9, 1879	Kingston..	Dr. Stevenson	J. Wood.....	" ....
" 9-14, 1880	Montreal..	"	"	" ....
" 8-13, 1881	Toronto...	S. N. Jackson, M.D....	"	" ....
" 7-12, 1882	Brantford.	George Hague	"	" ....
" 6-11, 1883	London...	C. Duff, M.A.	W. W. Smith.....	" ....
" 4- 9, 1884	Montreal..	J. G. Sanderson	"	" ....
" 3- 8, 1885	Hamilton..	John Burton, B.D.	H. Pedley, B.A.....	G. Robertson, B.A...
" 9-14, 1886	Ottawa....	D. McGregor, B.A.	"	" ...
" 8-13, 1887	Toronto...	H. D. Hunter, M.A.....	"	" ...
" 6-11, 1888	Montreal..	John Morton	W. H. Warriner, B.A.	" ...
" 5-10, 1889	Brantford.	Joseph Wild, D.D.	"	" ...
" 4- 9, 1890	Kingston..	W. Cuthbertson, B.A...	"	" ...
" 10-15, 1891	Guelph....	H. Pedley, B.A.	"	" ...
" 8-13, 1892	Montreal..	A. F. McGregor, B.A...	"	J. P. Gerrie, B.A....
" 7-12, 1893	London...	E. M. Hill, M.A.	J. P. Gerrie, B.A....	J. T. Daley, B.A....
" 6-11, 1894	Toronto...	W. H. Warriner, B.D...	" ...	" ....
" 5-10, 1895	Hamilton..	J. R. Black, B.A.	" ...	" ....
" 10-15, 1896	Montreal..	S. P. Leet, B.C.L.....	" ...	D. S. Hamilton, B.A.
" 9-15, 1897	Kingston..	W. H. Warriner, B.D. (for J. I. Hindley, Ph.D.)	" ...	"
" 8-13, 1898	Toronto...	W. McIntosh	" ...	"
" 7-12, 1899	Brantford.	J. W. Pedley, B.A.....	" ...	H. E. Mason.....
" 6-11, 1900	Montreal..	E. L. Yeigh	" ...	" .....
" 5-10, 1901	Toronto...	Prin. George, D.D.	" ...	W. J. Hindley.....
" 4- 9, 1902	Ottawa...	T. B. Hyde	" ...	" .....
" 10-16, 1903	London...	J. P. Gerrie, B.A.	J. T. Daley, B.A....	J. T. Daley, B.A....
" 8-13, 1904	Montreal..	H. O'Hara	"	" ....
" 7-12, 1905	Toronto...	J. K. Unsworth, B.A....	"	" ....
" 6-11, 1906	Embro....	J. B. Silcox	"	" ....
" 5-12, 1907	Hamilton..	W. T. Gunn, M.A., B.D.	"	" ....
" 9-15, 1908	Montreal..	Chas. Cushing, B.C.L...	W. T. Gunn, M.A., B.D.	H. G. Rice, B.D....
" 9-14, 1909	Toronto...	Hugh Pedley, B.A.	"	" ....
" 8-13, 1910	Cobourg...	Jas. T. Daley, B.A. ...	"	A. Margrett.....
" 7-12, 1911	Kingston..	Frank J. Day, B.D.....	"	" .....
" 5-10, 1912	Montreal..	T. B. Macaulay, F.I.A..	"	" .....
" 4- 9, 1913	Toronto...	G. Ellery Read	"	" .....
" 10-16, 1914	Hamilton..	H. I. Horsey	"	" .....
" 9-14, 1915	Ottawa...	G. H. Craik	W. T. Gunn, M.A..D.D	" .....
" 6- 9, 1916	Sherbrooke	E. D. Silcox	"	" .....
" 5- 8, 1917	Montreal..	A. F. Pollock, B.D....	"	" .....
" 4- 7, 1918	Toronto...	W. E. Gilroy, B.A.....	"	" .....
" 2- 6, 1919	Hamilton	M. Kelly	"	" .....
" 7-11, 1920	Guelph ..	A. Margrett	"	" .....
" 7-10, 1921	Montreal	George Adam	"	W. T. Gunn for A Margrett (dec.)
" 5-9, 1922	Brantford.	Rev. H.A. Carson, B.A.	"	Rev. W. H. Thomas
" 4- 8, 1923	Ottawa..	Rev. J. L. Alexander, B.D.	"	"

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Walter Rayner, Listowel, Ont.
A. S. Duncan, Kingston, Ont.

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA HELD IN THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, OTTAWA, JUNE 4TH TO 8TH, 1923.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4TH, 1923.

The Union service was conducted by the Chairman, Rev. J. Lambert Alexander, B.D., on Tuesday evening, June 4th. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. G. Martin. The Communion Service took place at the close and was conducted by the pastor of the Church, Rev. A. F. Pollock, B.D., assisted by representative deacons.

The first business session of the Union opened at nine-thirty on Wednesday, June 5th, with Rev. J. L. Alexander presiding. Rev. G. Ellery Read led in prayer.

The nomination of officers and committees for the Union were presented and accepted as follows:

Minute Secretaries:—Rev. W. J. D. Gibson, Mr. Reg. J. Smith.

Membership Committee:—Rev. G. Ellery Read, D.D., Chairman; Rev. Dr. W. H. Warriner, Rev. J. W. Pedley, Rev. M. H. Sanderson, Rev. H. D. Whitmore, Mr. D. Hilton, and Mr. A. E. Revell.

Business Committee:—Mr. Lorne V. Johnstone, Chairman; Revs. J. W. Newbery, A. E. Mann, and Mr. H. Tyers and Mr. W. McKillican.

Resolutions Committee:—Rev. W. H. Thomas, Chairman; Revs. W. G. Martin, Chas. Cushing, George Adam, and Mr. J. T. Field.

Nomination Committee:—Rev. I. W. Pierce, Chairman; Revs. Dr. Hugh Pedley, Dr. D. L. Ritchie, Major H. I. Horsey, Frank Sanders, J. Lambert Alexander, B.D.

Press Committee:—Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, Mr. Fred James, and Mr. H. J. Cotty.

Finance Committee:—Mr. H. W. Barker, Chairman; Mr. Thomas Moodie, and Mr. W. J. Aitchison.

The Secretary reported having received a communication from the Tax Reform League, the same was referred to the Business Committee.

The Secretary announced that Rev. E. D. Silcox was celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of his ordination and was donating four lots of land at Kildonan, Manitoba, to the Home Missionary Society. On motion, it was resolved that the matter be referred to the Resolution Committee.

A letter of greetings was read from Rev. C. E. Burton, D.D., Secretary of the National Council of Congregational Churches, U.S.A.

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented by the General Secretary. On motion of Dr. Gunn, seconded by Rev. William Hipkin, the report was referred to the Business Committee.

Applications for membership and transfer were received and referred to Membership Committee.

The Secretary reported that the Paris Church had closed and the property had reverted to the Home Missionary Society.

On motion of Dr. Gunn, seconded by Dr. Warriner, the revision of the Membership Roll was referred to the Membership Committe.

Mr. H. W. Barker presented an Interim Treasurer's Report, and moved its adoption. The Report was adopted.

It was moved by Mr. D. Hilton, seconded by Rev. W. H. Thomas, that the rate of interest, namely 7½ per cent. be reconsidered by the Investment Committee. The motion was lost.

Mr. Barker presented a report on the Forward Movement. It was moved, seconded and agreed that the discussion on the Report be deferred to Thursday Morning.

The Church Union Report was presented by Dr. Warriner, who moved that the Union consider the Report at two o'clock. The motion was carried.

The Union then gave place at 11.10 o'clock to the Annual Meeting of the Home Missionary Society.

The Union was called together again at twelve o'clock, when the Chairman of the Union presided at the Devotional hour. Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D., delivered the first of a series of addresses on "A United Church", entitled "Its Task".

After adjourning for lunch the Union at two-fifteen was led in prayer by Rev. I. W. Pierce. The Report on Church Union considered was as follows:

CHURCH UNION REPORT

The Proposed Legislation

The Eighth Conference of the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Committees on Church Union met in the Metropolitan Methodist Church, Toronto, on the 22nd day of September last, at the call of the Convenors of the Church Union Committee of the negotiating Churches.

The meeting was called to receive the report of the Committee on Legislation appointed in 1921 by the Joint Committee "to consider and report on the legislation necessary to give effect to the Union of the negotiating Churches, and to have prepared and submit copies of all proposed Bills to be submitted to the Parliament of Canada, and to such other legislative bodies as may be necessary in the premises." The Bills submitted consisting of a proposed Dominion Act Incorporating the "United Church of Canada" with Trusts of Model Deed, "and the proposed "Provincial Legislation relating to the United Church of Canada." Counsel who had prepared the Bills,—Messrs. G. W. Mason, K.C., and McGregor Young, K.C.,—were present, and presented the proposed legislation, section by section. These were carefully considered and amended where it seemed advisable, and, in general, approved by the Committee, which also authorized changes in the proposed Acts to harmonize with the action taken by the Committee."

It was also agreed to send forward the proposed legislation to the three negotiating bodies.

Action by the General Conference of the Methodist Church.

The General Conference of the Methodist Church on the 13th of October last approved of the proposed Legislation, and suggested some slight amendments.

Action of our Churches

Your Committee, in harmony with our policy which "requires that each local Church and Incorporated Society shall take individual action in order to give effect to the vote of the Union"—see report of Committee June 8th, 1922—has taken steps to have the acts, as printed, along with the Basis of Union and resolutions carefully drawn up, submitted to our Churches for their individual and constitutional action.

The following is a copy of the resolution submitted to the Churches—

"Moved by.....seconded by..... carried "That this Church, in special meeting convened after due notice for the purpose, hereby resolves as follows:

We approve of the Basis of Union adopted by the Congregational Union of Canada, the Methodist Church, Canada, and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, for the Union of the three denominations in "The United Church of Canada."

This Church approves the draft Bills of Dominion and Provincial Legislation for the incorporation of "The United Church of Canada", with Trusts of Model Deed as prepared and approved by the Joint Committee on Church Union, and agrees as a Church to enter the said union and become part of "The United Church of Canada", when formed.

This Church authorizes and instructs the Congregational Union of Canada to take all such action, legislative and otherwise, as may be necessary to consummate the said Union."

One hundred and eighteen of our Churches have voted in favour of the Union, as appears from the certified resolutions now in the hands of the General Secretary, the resolution passed being, in general, the formal resolution recited above. Eight Churches have voted against Union, one has declined to vote, and thirteen have yet to be heard from.

The following Churches voted in favour of Union:

Nova Scotia:

Brooklyn, Beach Meadows; Chebogue; Economy; Kingsport; Liverpool; Milton; Lower Selmah; Noel; South Maitland; Margaree; Pleasant River; Baker's Settlement; Yarmouth.

New Brunswick:

Keswick Ridge; Sheffield.

Quebec:

Ayer's Cliff; Boynton; Brigham; Cowansville; Danville; Fitch Bay; Granby; Melbourne; Rock Island; Sherbrooke; Waterville; Montreal: Amherst Park, Calvary, Crystal Springs, Emmanuel, Point St. Charles, Union (Coloured), Ste. Anne de Bellevue.

Ontario:

Kingston First and Calvary; Ottawa First and Welcome Zion; Maxville; Middleville; Hopetown; Rosetta; Lanark; Barrie; Churchill; Coldsprings; Dalston; Edgar; Toronto—Birchcliff, Broadview, Bond Street, Northern, Olivet, Western; Brantford; Burford; New Durham; Embro; Forest Central; Forest Plympton; Frome; Garafraxa; Speedside; Guelph; Hamilton First and Immanuel; London First and Southern; Scotland; Watford; Elcho Diltz Road; Bethel; Sherkston; Bloomingdale; West Montrose; Freeport; Listowel; Zion; Lowbanks; Mt. Carmel; Gobles; Windfall.

Manitoba:
Winnipeg Central and Crescent; Brandon.

Saskatchewan:
Chellwood; Balmoral; Naseby; Cando; Salter.

Alberta:
Calgary First.

British Columbia:
Vancouver First and Grandview, Kitsilano; Victoria First.

Russo-German:
Alberta:—Ebenezer, Calgary; Hopefield, Castor; Zion, Trochu; Peace, Irvine; Pilgrim, Irvine; Peace, Walsh; Zoar, Gros Ventres; Zion, Hilda; Immanuel, Hilda; Matthew Schuler; Hope, Schuler; St. John, Kincorth, Alta.
Saskatchewan:—Postal, Buffalohead; Emmanuel, Westerham; Zion, Leader; Bethlehem, Eatonia; Peace, Hanna; Newburg, Hanna; St. Johannes; St. Paul's, Sagathun; Grace, Surprise.

The following Churches voted against Union:—Stratford, Kingston Bethel; Warwick Zion; Pine Grove and Humber Summit; and Kincardine in Ontario, the Swedish Churches at Wetaskiwin and Highland Park, Alberta, Hemford Church, Nova Scotia, declined to vote.

The Following Churches have not yet voted:

Quebec:—Ulverton and Franklin Centre.

Ontario:—Rugby, Forest Lake Shore; Tilbury; Shelburne and Maple Grove.

Saskatchewan:—Crane Creek.

Swedish Work:—Meeting Creek, Alta.

Russo-German:—Salem, Mayton; Zion, Beiseker; Zion, Three Hills; all in Alberta, and Hope, Hatton, Sask.

The following summary of the votes of the Churches according to the several provinces will, no doubt, be interesting:

Maritime Provinces:
We have pleasure in reporting that we have received resolutions from every Church in the Maritime Provinces, all being in favour of Union with the exception of the Hemford Church, one of the Branches of the Pleasant River field, which, at a formal meeting, refused to vote.

Quebec:
We have pleasure in reporting the receipt of resolutions from every Church in the Province, with the exception of Franklin Centre and Ulverton, which have not yet reported. This Province is unanimous in its vote for Union.

Eastern Ontario:
In the Eastern Ontario Association, we have received resolutions from every Church in this district, all in favour of Union with the exception of Bethel Church, Kingston.

Toronto District Association:
The Toronto District Association has reported votes from all Churches with the exception of Rugby. The votes are unanimously in favour with the exception of the Churches at Pine Grove and Humber Summit, which voted against.

Western Ontario Association:
In the Western Association, thirty-two Churches have reported out of thirty-six, all in favour of Union, with the exception of Stratford, Warwick Zion and Kincardine, which have voted against.

Western Provinces:

In the Western Provinces all the English-speaking Churches have been heard from except two, all the others voting unanimously in favour of Union.

Swedish Work:

Two of our Swedish Churches, Wetaskiwin and Highland Park have reported resolutions against Union. It is probable that the Meeting Creek Church, when it reports, will also be against. These Churches desire to remain out and have fellowship with Swedish-speaking Churches.

Russo-German Churches:

Of our Russo-German Churches, twenty-one have already reported, all unanimously in favour. There are four still to hear from.

ACTION OF THE CORPORATE SOCIETIES

We have had carefully prepared and approved by Counsel of the Joint Committee, a uniform resolution for our Corporate Societies, as follows:

Resolution of the .....:

Moved by.....seconded by..... and carried—

That the.....in a meeting convened after due notice for the purpose, hereby resolves as follows:

That the.....hereby approves of the Basis of Union adopted by the Congregational Union of Canada, the Methodist Church, Canada, and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, for the union of the three denominations in "The United Church of Canada."

That the.....also approves of the draft legislation, Dominion and Provincial, recommended by the Joint Committee on Church Union.

That the.....hereby authorizes and instructs the Congregational Union of Canada, through a duly appointed Committee, to act for and on behalf of the..... to procure the enactment of the said proposed Acts of Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada, or such other legislation of the Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada and the Legislatures of the colonies and countries outside of Canada having jurisdiction over any of the property of the negotiating Churches as such committee may deem necessary or requisite in order to effectuate and consummate the union of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Methodist Church, Canada, and the Congregational Churches of Canada in accordance with the provisions of the Basis of Union and the general principles contained in the said proposed Acts, the said committee to have full power and authority for and on behalf of the.....to consider and deal with any proposals, defined as aforesaid, made by or on behalf of any of the negotiating Churches, or any committee thereof, or otherwise, with respect to the said legislation, to make or concur in any changes or amendments to the said proposed Acts that they, in their discretion, may deem advisable in order to carry into effect the provisions of the Basis of Union and the general principles contained in the said proposed Acts, and with the representatives of the other negotiating Churches to settle and determine the final form of any such legislation and generally to do all such acts and things as the said committee may deem expedient to procure whatever legislation may, in

their opinion, be necessary or requisite to effectuate and consummate the said Union, pursuant to the provisions of the Basis of Union and the principles contained in the said proposed Acts."

The Montreal Congregational Church Building Fund Society has already approved and adopted the above resolution. The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, though not incorporated yet as a recognized organization carrying on our work, has also approved. It is expected that our other incorporated Societies will take action during this Assembly, and the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick early in July.

ACTION BY THIS UNION

In submitting for your approval the legislation necessary to give effect to the Union of the three negotiating Churches, your Committee recomends that the Union, having been authorized thereto by the overwhelming majority of the Congregational Churches in Canada do now resolve as follows:

1. That the Congregational Union of Canada has considered the proposed Act of the Parliament of Canada to incorporate the United Church of Canada and the proposed legislation of the several Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada submitted to it by the Joint Committee on Church Union, copies of which proposed Acts are hereto annexed and marked respectively "A" and "B".

2. That the Congregational Union of Canada hereby approves the principles and in general the form of the said proposed Acts.

3. That as a matter of form and detail the Congregational Union of Canada recommends to the Committee, to be appointed as hereinafter mentioned, the favourable consideration of the following change in the proposed Provincial Acts, viz., that Section 22 of the Provincial Act, relating to Acts of Civil Status in the Province of Quebec be struck out and the following be substituted in its place—

"Each and all of the Churches, congregations and missions of the United Church duly recognized as members of the United Church of Canada or by the Executive Committee thereof (of which recognition the certificate of the General Secretary of the said United Church shall be sufficient evidence) shall have and possess the right to keep registers of civil status to the full extent and in the manner provided by the Civil Code and the Code of Civil Procedure.

Each and all of the ministers of the said United Church duly recognized as such by the said United Church of Canada or by the Executive Committee thereof, or specially authorized by the said United Church or its Executive Committee, shall have the right to act as public functionaries keeping registers of Civil Status, under the conditions of law, together with all the rights connected therewith, and all other duties and ceremonies of such public functionaries in charge of registers of Civil Status, in the manner and to the full extent provided by the Civil Code and the Code of Civil Procedure.

4. That a committee of twenty be appointed by the Congregational Union of Canada to act for and on behalf of the Congregational Churches as defined by the said proposed Acts to procure the enactment of the said proposed Acts of the Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada and the Legislatures of the colonies and countries outside of Canada having jurisdiction over any of the property of the negotiating Churches as such committee may deem necessary or requisite in order to effectuate and consummate the union of the

Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Methodist Church and the Congregational Churches of Canada in accordance with the provisions of the Basis of Union and the general principles contained in the said proposed Acts, the said committee to have full power and authority for and on behalf of the Congregational Churches to consider and deal with any proposals, defined as aforesaid, made by or on behalf of any of the negotiating churches, or any committee thereof, or otherwise, with respect to the said legislation, to make or concur in any changes or amendments to the said proposed Acts, that they in their discretion may deem advisable in order to carry into effect the provisions of the Basis of Union and the general principles contained in the said proposed Acts. and with the representatives of the other negotiating Churches to settle and determine the final form of any such legislation and generally to do all such acts and things as the said committee may deem expedient to procure whatever legislation may in their opinion, be necessary or requisite to effectuate and consummate the said Union pursuant to the provisions of the Basis of Union and the principles contained in the said proposed Acts.

We further recommend: That the Union do now appoint forty members to represent our denomination in the First General Council of the United Church, when duly called according to the proposed legislation, with full power to act.

That these forty be—Revs. Dr. Hugh Pedley, J. W. Pedley, Dr. W. T. Gunn, Dr. W. H. Warriner, Dr. D. L. Ritchie, George Adam, Matthew Kelly, W. G. Martin, J. L. Alexander, B.D., Frank Sanders, A. E. Cooke, A. F. Pollock, B.D., T. W. Jones, M.A., J. W. Newbery, W. J. D. Gibson, Dr. G. Ellery Read, George Laughton, H. I. Horsey, R. Wilson Carr, Hermon A. Carson, and Messrs. W. J. Aitchison, John T. Field, W. D. Lighthall, A. McA. Murphy, George A. Moore, J. Wilfred Kennedy, Charles Gurd, H. W. Barker, W. E. Booth, Frederick W. Robins, Thomas Moodie, David Hilton, W. A. Hollinrake, J. B. Waugh, T. B. Macaulay, B. B. Stevenson, J. W. Flewwelling, J. G. Fuller, Arthur Birks, Allan Maclean.

Further, that in case of any vacancy occurring, power to appoint other representatives be hereby given to the Executive of the Congregational Union of Canada.

Churches Holding Property "Solely for their own benefit."

The proposed Legislation recognizes that certain congregations may hold "real or personal property belonging to, held by, or in trust for the use or to the use of such congregation, solely for its own benefit." It provides that the rights of such congregations in regard to their respective properties shall not be subject to the provisions of Sections four and five of the Act, or to the control of the United Church, such congregations, however, must be listed in an appendix to the Law named "Schedule "D". We, therefore, recommend that all our Churches be requested to furnish the General Secretary of the Union with copies of (a) The Act of their incorporation, if any, and (b) of the Deeds under which their property is held, with the Trusts thereof.

And further, that the Committee on Church Union be empowered to examine these documents and prepare a list of Churches to be placed in said "Schedule "D".

Non-Concurring Churches

In regard to the Churches which have voted not to enter into the United Church, your Committee would suggest:

1st—That these Churches be requested to arrange for a church meeting to be held in conference with a deputation to be appointed by the Committee on Church Union, in order that there may be the fullest information and consideration of the important issues involved before the final definite action is taken by each Church, and

2nd—That we suggest to those Churches which may persist in their intention not to enter the United Church, that they pass a resolution authorizing the Union to act for them in procuring the necessary legislation, but reserving all rights to take such action as may be provided in the legislation for non-concurring Churches should they so desire.

We further recommend that the Committee on Church Union, in co-operation with similar committees from the other negotiating Churches, be instructed to inform the Churches of the action now taken by this Union, and take such further steps in preparation for the consummation of Union as will secure the fullest spiritual benefit to all the churches concerned.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) W. Henry Warriner.

Dr. Warriner moved the adoption of the four clauses of the Union Report, seconded by Rev. George Adam. The motion was put to the meeting and carried by a vote of 54 in favour and 3 against.

Dr. Warriner moved, seconded by Mr. J. M. Robertson a list of forty names to be on the General Council. Mr. L. Johnstone moved, seconded by Rev. T. W. Jones, that the list be referred back to the Committee.

Moved by Rev. J. W. Pedley, seconded by Rev. Frank Sanders, that greetings be sent to the General Assembly. It was resolved that the Chairman and Secretary of the Church Union Committee send a suitable resolution.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

After the singing of the hymn "Stand up and Bless the Lord," the Conference on Young People's Work was opened by the presentation of the Superintendent's Report by Rev. W. J. D. Gibson, who moved its adoption. The Report was adopted as follows:

"This Department has rendered service to our Churches through the Associations, the columns of the "Congregationalist", and, where possible, through personal visits to Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies and Mission Bands.

Believing our work must be constructive and carried on under long range and well related from year to year, we would again urge in each Church the carefully organized, graded school and graded lessons, from the Cradle Roll to the Adult Classes and Home Department; the organized social activities for boys and girls, such as Mission Bands for the Juniors, and C.S.E.T. for boys and C.G.I.T. for girls of the 'teen age; Training Classes for Teachers and Leaders of work with boys and girls.

In all this we would recommend close association and co-operation with the Religious Education Council of Canada, an organization which embraces over ten thousand Sunday Schools and employs sixty men and women, giving full time as paid leaders in this work. Through this organization you may find particulars re Summer Camps for boys and girls, Summer Schools for training leaders. If possible have your young people represented in these Camps and Summer Schools.

Young People's Societies are receiving special attention through the Religious Education Council of Canada. The result of this study will be obtainable this fall in book form and will be great help to Young People's Societies. The book is obtainable at our General Office, 137 Confederation Life Building, Toronto.

We would draw attention to recent studies of data on the age of joining the Church made by Dean Walter S. Athearn—

Six thousand one hundred and ninety-four cases were studied and the median age of joining the church was 14 years 4 months and 22 days. One-fourth of the persons joining the Church were under the age of 11 years 10 months and 22 days, one-fourth joined the church after they were 21 years, 4 months and 22 days old. One half, or fifty per cent. of the Church accessions were people between the age of 11 years, 10 months and 22 days and 21 years 4 months and 22 days. In other words, of the 6,194 who joined the Church, 75 per cent. were under the age of 21 years, 4 months and 22 days.

Figures like these again remind us if we would reach the men and women for Christ and the Church we must reach them in childhood and youth. Let the mind dwell upon those precious years 11 to 21, during which 50 per cent. of those who come into the church are received.

In this connection we again urge the Young Worshippers' League in every Curch, also the Pastor's Training Class, preparing the young for Church membership.

Rally Day programmes were issued and widely used in our Sunday Schools. The financial returns were three times that of previous years.

A pamphlet giving directions as to where books and supplies for the various departments of work may be obtained is being prepared.

Now that we have come to the final year of the payments of money pledged through the Forward Movement, we recommend a financial policy for our Young People.

That this policy shall include a share in the support of the local Church, and a share in the benevolences or Missions of the Church.

To work out this policy, we would recommend:

1st—Use the Young People's Societies and organized Sunday School Classes as a basis on which to work.

2nd—(a) Use the Duplex Envelope for local Church and Benevolences. (b) That we maintain an Industrial Missionary, the appeal in each Church to be made through Young People's Societies, Organized Classes, etc.

3rd—That the money raised for Missions be at the discretion of the Union or Executive of the Young People's Department for Missionary work, with the hope of adopting some Missionary of our own when the 'system' proposed is working.

4th—That this plan be made ready to launch on the first or second week in September of this year.

5th—That special leaflets on Missionary work be placed with the Secretaries of organized Classes or Young People's Societies.

6th—That 'Key Men' in each Association be charged with the responsibility of putting the plan into effect in their district.

7th—That the Secretary of the Young People's Department be the Executive Secretary, having the whole plan in charge.

We thank those who have in any way helped the work of this Department, and solicit for the Department your continued co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. Lambert Alexander.
Superintendent.

The Chairman stated that as the time for conference was limited, Mrs. Palmer Burgess had been released from her engagement.

The Union permitted the Chairman leave of absence for the remainder of the afternoon session, and the Chair was taken by Dr. Ritchie.

Rev. T. W. Jones, M.A., B.D., delivered an address on "The Problem and the Challenge of Service with our Young People."

Mr. James W. Robertson, C.M.G., LL.D., Chief Scout Commissioner for Canada, delivered an address on "The Scout Movement as a training for Citizenship."

This was followed by a Demonstration of Boy Scouts by the Second Ottawa Troop, under the direction of Scoutmaster F. Gervan.

The Union met at eight o'clock in the Church with the Chairman, Rev. J. L. Alexander, presiding.

The Session opened with the singing of the Doxology and prayer by Rev. J. L. Alexander.

Rev. Major H. I. Horsey and Rev. A. F. Pollock, B.D., extended a welcome to the City and Churches,—Ottawa First and Welcome Zion, to which Rev. J. Lambert Alexander, B.D., replied.

Rev. J. Lambert Alexander delivered the Chairman's address. This was entitled "Some permanent realities upon which the success of Christian propaganda rests."

The Session closed with prayer by Rev. Charles Cushing.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6TH, 1923.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Chairman, Rev. J. Lambert Alexander, B.D.

Prayer was offered by Revs. A. Mann and C. Tavener.

The Minutes of the Wednesday morning session were read and approved.

The General Secretary then read letters of regret from Revs. W. R. Mackay, B. J. Lazenby, H. A. Carson.

The Report of membership committee was submitted by Rev. Dr. Read and accepted as follows:

1. That the application of the Rev. W. J. Hanna be received and stand over for a year during which time his application should be made and credentials presented to the Toronto District Association, in accordance with standing Rule No. 1, Section C.
2. That a transfer to the English Congregational Union be granted to the Rev. Trevor J. Williams.
3. That the application of the Rev. H. B. Storey be received and stand over for a year in accordance with rule No.1, section E.
4. That the application for membership in the Union made by the Toronto Evangelical Church of the Deaf be granted.
5. That the transfer of the Rev. T. C. Crosby from the Yorkshire Congregational Union to this Union be accepted.
6. That the application of the Rev. William Mitchell, Guelph, for membership in the Union be received, and that on receipt of transfer and certificate of membership from the Lansing Association his membership be granted.
7. That the application of the Rev. E. LeRoy Rice for transfer to the Orleans Country Association, Vermont, be granted.
9. That the application of the Rev. H. H. Cragg of Calgary be received and laid over for a year during which time the Executive should seek completion of credentials.

10. That the application of the Rev. A. F. Brown of Kingston be received and laid over for the year in accordance with standing Rule No. 1, Section E.
11. That the Paris Church be dropped from the Union, as it is no longer in existence.
12. That Revs. J. W. G. Ward, A. F. Brown, Ernest W. Riggs, and Ronald McLeod be corresponding members.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) G. Ellery Read,
Chairman Membership Committee.

A letter of greetings was received from Crystal Springs.

The Secretary reported receiving a letter from Western Association nominating Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D., as Chairman for the following year, and that Dr. Pedley had accepted the nomination. It was also stated that the Toronto District and Quebec Associations supported the nomination, so there was only one nomination.

It was moved, seconded and resolved that the Secretary cast one ballot for Dr. Pedley.

The Chairman declared Dr. Pedley elected.

The Chairman of the Business Committee, Mr. Lorne Johnstone, presented a partial report, moving that the letter of the Tax Reform be acknowledged and laid on the table. Agreed.

The Statistical Report was presented by Rev. W. H. Thomas, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Dr. Read and carried.

The Church Union report was again considered, and Rev. Dr. Warriner submitted the following names for the Committee of forty to attend the General Council of the United Church. The list was approved:

Revs. Hugh Pedley, D.D.; J. W. Pedley; W. T. Gunn, D.D.; W. H. Warriner, D.D.; D. L. Ritchie, D.D.; George Adam; Matthew Kelly; W. G. Martin; J. Lambert Alexander; Frank Sanders; A. E. Cooke, A. F. Pollock, B.D.; T. W. Jones; J. W Newbery; W. J. D. Gibson; G. Ellery Read, D.D.; George Laughton; H. I. Horsey, R. Wilson Carr; Hermon A. Carson; and Messrs. W. J. Aitchison, John T. Field, W. D. Lighthall, A. McA. Murphy, George A. Moore, J. Wilfred Kennedy, Charles Gurd, H. W. Barker, W. E. Booth, Frederick Robbins, Thomas Moodie, David Hilton, W. A. Hollinrake, J. B. Waugh, T. B. Macaulay, B. B. Stevenson, J. W. Flewwelling, J. G. Fuller, Arthur Birks, Allan Maclean.

The list was approved.

Rev. Dr. Warriner read the following telegram which had been forwarded to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, in accordance with the instructions of the Union:

"Congregational Union of Canada in annual meeting assembled, send hearty greetings to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. Am instructed also to inform you that being duly authorized by our churches the Union has by overwhelming majority voted to approve Basis of Union and proposed legislation for incorporation of the United Church of Canada. May the blessing of our Heavenly Father rest upon you."

Dr. Warriner moved, seconded by Dr. Gunn that clause 3 of the Church Union Committee Report be approved. The motion carried.

Dr. Warriner moved, seconded by Dr. Gunn and resolved that clause 4 be approved.

It was moved by Dr. Warriner and seconded by Rev. H. D. Whitmore and resolved that the Report, as a whole, be adopted.

The Union adjourned at eleven o'clock for a meeting of the Home Missionary Society.

The Union convened at 11.30, with Dr. Ritchie in the Chair for the purpose of hearing from Dr. Gunn re the apportionment.

Discussion on the Forward Movement Report was taken up, and the Report adopted.

At 12 o'clock Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D., delivered the second Devotional Address, entitled "The United Church—Its Power."

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 7TH, 1923.

The Chairman of the Union opened the morning session at 9.45, conducting devotions.

On motion, Mr. E. J. Joselyn was appointed in place of Mr. Aitchison on the Finance Committee.

The Minutes were read and confirmed.

Rev. Dr. Gunn moved the following resolution, "That we suggest to our Church Union Committee the amendment of clause 2 of the Dominion Act, viz., the addition of "save and except those Congregational Churches which have already voted to remain out of the United Church," or, some similar phrase, and the same in corresponding Provincial Legislation, where necessary. The motion was carried.

Report of the Membership Committee was presented and approved as follows:

1. That the application of the Rev. B. J. Lazenby for membership in the Union be granted, in accordance with standing Rule No. 1., section B.

2. That the list of ministerial members of the Union be revised in accordance with Standing Rule II, Section B, and that the members not in active service who have not applied for continuation of their standing be communicated with in order to ascertain their wishes in that connection.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA, 1922-1923.

With mingled feelings we come again to our annual Union Meetings. We rejoice in again coming after so many years to enjoy the hospitality of the Capital City and of our First Church. We are glad to find the First Church so comfortably and beautifully housed and so prosperous in its work.

We rejoice in that after twenty long years of negotiation we are come at last to the meeting which is to make the final decision as to union with our sister Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. The Methodist Church has already declared itself in favour of organic union, the Presbyterian Church gathered this very day in its great Assembly, is facing the decision. Your Executive, co-operating with our own Church Union Committee, has been taking all the necessary steps in preparation for a decision by this Union and the Incorporated Societies of our Denomination and the details will be presented to you by our Committee.

Already we feel something of the tinge of sadness which comes with any change in a deep and long continued fellowship such as has always marked our Congregational Churches, but we will look forward to the larger and richer fellowship of The United Church of Canada confidently expecting to carry into it all of the best of our Congregational spirit, traditions and

heritage, and with the corresponding gifts from the sister Churches, to render a growingly greater service to our Lord Jesus Christ and to our fellowmen.

In the meantime we have pleasure in presenting to the Union for its approval, another pracitcal step toward Union by the three negotiating Churches in the form of a "Suggested Plan for the Formation of United Churches in Affiliation with the Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church and the Congregational Union of Canada." This has already been approved by the Joint Church Union Committee. It marks a very distinct advance over the two agreements of 1917 and provinces for the practical setting up locally of United Churches, which are simply units formed in advance of the United Church of Canada, but retaining for the present helpful connection with the parent Churches. The plan has already been working acceptably in the West and is finding acceptance in the East also.

We recommend that it be formally approved by the Union.

In this connection various plans for local co-operation and re-arrangment of fields with the two sister Churches are being considered by your Executive and by the various Associations.

In regard to the possibility of a still wider union of Churches, we would report that the resolutions of the Union last year in answer to the communication from the Church of England in Canada, were duly forwarded to the Primate of that Church. Joint meetings with committees of the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches were held a number of times during the year and plans are now being laid for a joint conference of committees of all four Churches next autumn.

The Inter-Church Advisory Council has met twice during the year in full meetings in addition to its sectional meetings. This Council has this year done especially valuable work in connection with Temperance matters, having brought about the unification of all the Temperance forces of the Dominion in "The Canadian Prohibition Federation," whose first conference will be held early in September and to which this Union is asked to appoint five representatives. The Inter-Church Council has also had a great deal to do with the restoration of unity among the Temperance forces of the Province of Ontario. With present attacks upon temperance legislation in various Provinces, this combining of temperance forces was greatly needed and will be very valuable in holding the ground already won and pressing on to better conditions still.

Through the Inter-Church Council also there was issued a joint list of topics for the Week of Prayer, which were much appreciated and widely used.

The Union was duly represented on the Religious Education Council of Canada, the Dominion Social Service Council, and many other inter-denominational organizations.

Your representatives also co-operated with a joint Committee of the Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches in approaching the Ontario Department of Education in regard to securing better graded Bible Lessons for morning worship in schools, enlarging the memory work from the Bible, and more systematic use of the Bible for moral instruction.

The Conference on Faith and Order has been continuing its preparations for a World Conference in 1925.

We present herewith the annual statement of Apportionment and Receipts for our five General Funds. It is evident that few Churches reached the 100 per cent. of their apportionment. In fact, only seven churches did so. We recommend that the apportionment be repeated for the coming year and

that the Union ask the Associations again to strive for such re-adjustment and such effort as will put the full apportionment within reach of every church and will stimulate them to the attempt:

CHURCH APPORTIONMENT AND RECEIPTS OF GENERAL FUNDS

1922-1923

Association	Home Missions		Foreign Missions		College	
	Appt.	Receipts	Appt.	Receipts	Appt.	Receipts
Quebec	$ 3,505.00	1,906.16	3,480.00	1,992.45	2,790.00	1,473.12
Ont.-Western	2,505.00	2,055.53	2,565.00	2,450.93	1,615.00	455.53
Ont.-Central	2,500.00	876.90	2,500.00	2,115.25	975.00	292.12
Ont.-Eastern	930.00	839.71	1,000.00	819.66	290.00	402.71
Maritime Prov.	560.00	342.95	560.00	314.84	140.00	130.57
Western Prov.	1,950.00	594.69	1,950.00	1,007.35	710.00	41.40
Russo-German						
TOTAL	$12,010.00	6,615.94	12,055.00	8,700.48	6,520.00	2,795.45

Association	Provident Fund		Union Fund	
	Appt.	Receipts	Appt.	Receipts
Quebec	$ 925.00	384.50	965.00	542.08
Ontario-Western	305.00	76.24	670.00	363.06
Ontario-Central	250.00	69.60	275.00	55.57
Ontario-Eastern	170.00	146.30	240.00	147.80
Maritime Provinces	70.00	23.25	70.00	44.90
Western Provinces	245.00	8.64	245.00	39.15
Russo-German				
TOTAL	$1,965.00	708.53	2,465.00	1,192.56

In this connection we present the diagrams, similar to those presented a year ago. Remembering again that any diagram can represent only a one-sided view of the facts and that these diagrams represent only the all-round loyalty which sees to it that each church gives to each of our five great funds during the year, we present this last year's record in targets as last year. The names in the centre ring of all the targets have given to all five funds, each circle away from the bull's eye scores one less fund.

A comparison with last year will show that as a whole the shooting this last year has been much poorer than the year before.

The winds of harder times or the breezes of carelessness have blown across the range. In the centre of the target we have only 21 churches as against 35 a year ago. The second circle has 26 as against 25 a year ago, and the third circle out has 25 as against 20, and the circle which shows gifts to only two of our funds has 15 this year, six more than a year ago.

The denominational possible, as the riflemen say, allowing five possible collections to each church apportioned, was 535 collections, while, as a matter of fact, only 329 were taken and 206 collections were omitted. It is evident at once that this is far too large a proportion of misses. While it may be granted that the missing collections would not average as high as those from the faithful churches, yet it is true that some of our larger churches also missed collections and some of these for our most important funds. Had

the missing collections been taken in anything like the average of those received it would have made a material difference to our funds.

We ask that pastors and delegates take notice of the position of their church on the diagram and determine to better their aim another year.

The names of the seven churches which paid in their full apportionment or more are underlined in the centre of the target and it is a pleasure to see there the name of the church which is now entertaining the Union.

A New Model Deed:

We have pleasure in presenting a new Model Deed. The deed adopted by the Union in 1872 has been of great service but was found in practice to be too wide and loose in its provisions for the use of Church property after a Church had ceased to exist. We have, therefore, drawn up the new deed with the trust conditions based on those already adopted by the Canada Congregational Missionary Society for its Building Fund liens. We recommend this new Deed be approved by the Union.

Sympathy:

We record with deep sense of loss the death during the year of Rev. Thomas Hall, for so many years a valued worker among our Canadian Churches, and of Rev. Dr. Byron H. Stauffer, so suddenly cut down in the prime of life, and of the wife of our good brother, Rev. Dr. Jacob W. Cox, To the relatives of each of these, your Executive has expressed their deep sympathy.

The Union Programme:

We present to you the programme, as printed, for your acceptance. We welcome this year, Rev. J. W. G. Ward who brings to us the greetings of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, and of the Colonial Missionary Society, and also Rev. Ernest W. Riggs, Associate Secretary of the Foreign Department of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, who will bring to us the greetings of that Society, and of our sister Congregational Churches of the United States.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Executive.

(Signed) WILLIAM T. GUNN,
Secretary

CHURCH APPORTIONMENTS AND RECEIPTS OF GENERAL FUNDS—1922-23

Association	Member-ship	Home Missions (to April 30th)		Foreign Missions (to April 30th)		College (to May 31st)		Provident Fund (to May 31st)		Union Fund (to April 30th)	
		Appt.	Rec'ts	Appt.	Rec'ts	Appt.	Rec'ts	Appt.	Rec'ts	Appt.	Rec'ts
Quebec	2736	$3505 00	$1906 16	$3480 00	$1992 45	$2790 00	$3430 13	$925 00	$630 47	$965 00	$542 08
Ontario											
Western	3139	2565 00	2055 53	2565 00	2450 93	16'5 00	788 07	305 00	192 11	670 00	363 06
Central	2193	2500 00	876 90	2500 00	2115 25	975 00	297 32	250 00	87 57	275 00	55 57
Eastern	986	930 00	839 71	1000 00	819 66	290 00	348 96	170 00	172 80	240 00	147 80
Maritime Provinces	677	560 00	342 95	560 00	314 84	140 00	132 40	70 00	41 90	70 00	44 90
Western Provinces	3031	1950 00	594 69	1950 00	1007 35	710 00	83 63	245 00	34 19	245 00	39 15
Totals	12762	$12010 00	$6615 94	$12055 00	$8700 48	$6520 00	$5080 51	$1965 00	$1159 04	$2465 00	$1192 56

UNION TREASURER'S REPORT

June 16, 1922—June 15, 1923.

The balance carried forward from last year was $87.00, and the contributions from the churches, $1,192.00. Receipts under the Guarantee re General Secretary were $3,700.00 and we have received reimbursement of amount expended for Young People's Department, $23.00, and for Church Union expenses, $577.00. These amounts, with $80.00 sundry receipts, make a total on the credit side of $5,661.00. For General Secretary's salary and expenses, $3,500.00 has been paid out, while the other ordinary expenses amount to about $1,500.00. This leaves a balance on hand of $644.00 at the end of the year.

RECEIPTS

Balance carried forward		$ 87 57
Contributions from Churches;—		
Ontario Central	$ 55.57	
" Western	363 06	
" Eastern	147 80	
Quebec	542 08	
Maritime Provinces	44 90	
Western Provinces	39 15	
		1,192 56
Personal Members Fees		24 00
Collections at Union		50 85
Bank Interest		5 26
Reimbursement of Y.P. Department expenditure		23 62
Reimbursement of Church Union Expenses		577 35
Receipts under Guarantee—		
C. C. M. S.	$2,100 00	
C. C. F. M. S.	800 00	
College	700 00	
Provident Fund	100 00	
		3,700 00
		$5,661 21

EXPENDITURES

General Secretary's Salary and Expenses		$3,500 00
Travelling (Committee Meetings)		336 85
Travelling (Members and Delegates to Union)		369 60
Year Book Account		163 20
Printing, Cuts, Office Supplies		160 11
Sundries (Postage, telegrams, etc.)		67 57
Expended for Y.P. Department (since repaid)		19 67
Church Union Expenses (since repaid)		399 72
Balance on hand—		
Guarantee Account	$885 00	
Overdraft Gen. Account	240 51	
		644 49
		$5,661 21

We have audited the books, vouchers and accounts of the Congregational Union of Canada for the year ended June 15th, 1923, and certify that the foregoing statement is in accordance therewith.

(Sgd.) Oscar Hudson and Co.,
Chartered Accountants.

The receipts from the churches are as follows:—

ONTARIO (Central)

Barrie	$ 5 00
Cobourg	15 00
Toronto	
Birchcliff	13 00
Broadview	17 57
Northern	5 00
	$55 57

ONTARIO (Western)

Bloomingdale	10 00
Brantford	50 00
Embro	15 00
Forest-Central	8 00
Forest-Plympton	3 00
Freeport	5 00
Garafraxa	4 00
Speedside	7 50
Guelph	35 00
Hamilton-First	141 44
Hamilton-Immanuel	2 25
London-First	9 50
Lowbanks	7 27
Mount Carmel	16 00
Scotland	10 40
Watford	10 00
Sherkston	5 00
West Montrose	10 00
Zion (Zion Cir.)	13 70
	$363 06

ONTARIO (Eastern)

Hopetown	$ 2 05
Kingston-First	10 00
Kingston-Calvary	20 00
Lanark	75 00
Maxville	20 50
Middleville	3 25
Ottawa-Welcome Zion	17 00
	$147 80

QUEBEC

Ayer's Cliff	$ 15 00
Cowansville	8 50
Danville	25 00
Fitch Bay	10 00
Granby	50 69
Montreal-Am. Park	5 00
Montreal-Calvary	82 89
Montreal-Crystal Springs	5 00
Montreal-Emmanuel	225 00
Rock Island	15 00
Sherbrooke	100 00
	$542 08

N. S. & N. B.

Economy	$ 3 00
Hemford	3 33
Liverpool	12 00
Margaree	3 75
Milton	2 50
Noel	2 50
Pleasant River	1 67
South Maitland	6 00
Yarmouth	10 15
	$ 44 90

WESTERN PROVINCES

Balmoral	$ 4 50
Brandon	4 80
Castor (Hopefield)	3 00
German Conference	3 50
Vancouver 1st	13 35
Vancouver Kitsilano	5 00
Victoria	5 00
	$ 39 15

The Office Statement is also presented herewith. We commenced the year with $594.00 and the Societies have paid in $4,500.00. It will be seen that we have lived well within our budget in every item and we close the year with $425.00 in hand. This favorable showing would not have been possible if we had not been fortunate enough to sublet a part of our office, (besides which the Woman's Board are good enough to pay us at the rate of $20.00 a month), so that at present we receive at the rate of $540.00 a year, leaving our own net rental $460.00. As, however, there is always more or less uncertainty about subletting, it is the part of wisdom to leave the rent item of the budget the same as before, namely, $690.00, and the total budget for the new year, $5,300.00.

OFFICE STATEMENT

June 16, 1922—June 15, 1923.

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year	$ 594 21
From C.C.M.S.	3,000 00
From C.C.F.M.S.	1,500 00
	$ 5,094 21

EXPENDITURES

BUDGET			
$2,600 00	Salary (General Treasurer)	$ 2,600 00	
1,144 00	Salary (Stenographer)	1,122 00	
100 00	Office Assistance	39 51	
200 00	Travelling (General Treasurer)	113 29	
690 00	Rent	460 00	
100 00	Printing	19 72	
100 00	Office Supplies	83 46	
100 00	Telephone, Telegrams and Exchange	38 21	
100 00	Postage	74 50	
166 00	Auditor, Lighting and Sundries	74 25	
			4,668 94
	Balance on hand;		
	In Royal Bank	419 20	
	Petty Cash	.6 07	
			425 27
$5,300 00			$ 5,094 21

We have audited the books, vouchers and accounts of the Congregational Church Office for the year ended June 15th, 1923, and certify that the foregoing statement is in accordance therewith.

(Signed) Oscar Hudson & Co.,
Chartered Accountants.

The Young Peoples' Department financial statement is also presented herewith, showing the balance received from former Treasurer, $143.00, with contributions and interest $164.00, against which there have been expenses, committee travelling, programmes and booklets, printing, postage, etc., of $239.00, leaving $68.00 in the bank.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO APRIL 30th, 1923.

RECEIPTS

Balance from former Treasurer	$ 142 95
Contributions	163 77
Bank Interest and Exchange	70
	$ 307 42

EXPENDITURES

Committee Travelling	$ 91 40	
Programmes and Booklets	69 13	
Office Supplies	27 95	
Cuts	17 23	
Printing	7 21	
Postage, Exchange and Sundries	26 26	
Balance on hand	68 24	
		$ 307 42
		$ 307 42

We have audited the Books, Vouchers and Accounts of the Canada Congregational Young People's Department for year ended 30th April, 1923, and certify that the foregoing Statement is in accordance therewith.

Oscar Hudson & Co.
Chartered Accountants.

And now what about the general denominational record of the giving for the five departments of our work?

It will be remembered that the Union Executive could not see its way to increasing the apportionment, although the Society budgets were in some cases greatly increased. We, therefore, left the apportionment as it was, namely $35,015.00, and pressed upon the Associations, and through them upon the churches, the imperative need of making up the full amount. The Executive decided last June that "the responsibility for raising the full amount of the apportionment should be thrown upon the Associations." At the request of the Executive I visited the three Associations, and Dr. Gunn attended the Maritime Union, and we put before these bodies as strongly as we could the importance of getting every church to reach its full apportionment for every fund. In each case a resolution was passed adopting their respective shares of the apportionment and undertaking to do everything possible to keep the churches within their territories up to the mark. The churches that are not connected with any Association were communicated with directly from the office. The Associations were also furnished with a number of suggestions to assist them in obtaining the desired end. In addition to this every church in Canada was furnished on March 16th, with a statement showing what had been given up to March 15th for each of the five funds and pointing out how they stood in relation to their apportionment, and urging the remitting of the balance before the time for closing the books.

And what has been the result of all this? The following table will show:

Society	Apportionment	Receipts
C.C.M.S.	$ 12,010.00	$ 6,615.94
C.C.F.M.S.	12,055.00	8,700.48
College	6,520.00	2,795.45
Provident Fund	1,965.00	708.53
Union	2,465.00	1,137.31
TOTAL	$ 35,015.00	$ 19,957.71

This means that only 57% of the apportionment was attained and the average giving was $1.64 per member. Last year on the same apportionment we got $20,067.00, the average giving being $1.59 per member. These figures of course, do not include the Woman's Board.

The Maritime Provinces gave	$ 843.51	or 60%	of their apportionment
The Quebec Association gave	6,257.81	or 54%	of their apportionment
The Ontario Western gave	5,364.17	or 69%	of their apportionment
The Ontario Central gave	3,410.59	or 52%	of their apportionment
The Ontario Eastern gave	2,398.38	or 91%	of their apportionment
The Western Provinces gave	1,683.25	or 33%	of their apportionment
	$19.957.71		

This is a most disappointing result and means more or less embarrassment for our work. After making all due allowances for business depression epidemics, the unsettled condition of some of our churches, uneasiness about Church Union, and other causes, or fancied causes, which might be thought of, the general result shows an indifference to the denominational programme on the part of a number of our churches which is hard to explain. For example, five of our outstanding churches were asked for $11,425.00 and they gave only $4,742.00. In other words five churches fell $6,682.00 short of their apportionment!

Throughout the whole Dominion only eight churches attained their full apportionment, two of these amounts coming in after the closing of the books. These are distributed as follows:

Maritime Provinces	out of 13 churches—1
Quebec	out of 17 churches—0
Ontario Western	out of 38 churches—3
Ontario Central	out of 15 churches—2
Ontario Eastern	out of 10 churches—2
Western Provinces	out of 17 churches—0

Many of our churches treat the apportionment altogether too lightly. It is not an ideal only: the figures really represent less than our minimum needs. We had hoped and prayed that through the Forward Movement our people would have received a new vision of the joy of giving, but in most quarters the lesson has not been learned. We had a right to expect that $20,000.00 a year (half of the amount promised to the Forward Movement) would have been added to our denominational funds because of being released from Forward Movement obligations, but we were doomed to disappointment. What we all need is a quickening of spiritual life, greater devotion to Christ, and a new sense of our partnership with Him in the establishment of His Kingdom on earth.

Fortunately, in investment returns we have had a good year. It will be remembered that in my last annual report as General Treasurer, I stated that, although the last year had been an exceptional one for profit-making, yet I saw no reason why even under normal conditions our income should not be materially added to each year. I have now pleasure in reporting that your Investment Committee has this year made a further cash profit of $2,736.67—$2,326.39 of which is divided between nine Home Missionary accounts, $394.03 between six foreign accounts, and $16.25 goes to the Publishing Committee.

Since my appointment as General Treasurer, the bond profits have been as follows:

First year (part only)	$ 1,200.00
Second year	6,315.42
Third year	2,736.67
	$10,252.09

Besides this we raised the rates of existing mortgages which were overdue, and this increased our income by $190.00 per year. A few new mortgage loans were also made a year ago at 7½%. We have bought and sold bonds as favorable opportunities have occurred—sometimes in Toronto and Montreal, sometimes in New York, and occasionally in London, Eng. Lest it should be thought that our holdings have been weakened because of these transactions, I would submit the following letter from one of our brokers, who gives us an appraisement every three months. He says:—

> "We have examined the list of investments as of the end of April. The selection of your bonds shows a wise distribution, the greater amount being Dominion and Provincial Government bonds. Your directors have every reason to feel an unusual degree of confidence in the manner in which your funds are employed, and we wish to congratulate you on the excellent judgment shown in carrying out this sound investment policy . . . . . The income averages 5½% and the average maturity is approximately 20 years. Taking into consideration the profits taken and the present holdings, the showing is unusually satisfactory."

Our profits would have been more had it not been for the heavy Government tax on such transactions. Dealing only in trustee investment, as we are directed to do by law and bound to do by resolution of the Union Executive, our interest return is not quite so large nor are we able to take advantage of many profit-making turnovers which would have been presented if we could handle industrials; but the element of risk is entirely eliminated. Had the profits of the last three years been available for the General Funds, they would have been just about sufficient to pay the salary of the General Treasurer and also of the office stenographer. However, our general funds have had their share and the balance has been made available for giving much needed help from the Church Extension and other funds. Most of this year's profits are not being distributed but are held in reserve.

Apart from my work as General Denominational Treasurer and Editor and Business Manager of The Congregationalist, I have held myself available to the churches principally to do deputation work on behalf of the Foreign Missionary Society. During the past year I was able to visit twenty-five of our churches in Ontario and Quebec—one of them twice—besides addressing the Western Association twice, the Central and Quebec Associations, the Paris Branch of the Woman's Board, a Union Church service in Whitby, and the National Social Service Convention held in Ottawa. This involved travelling 4,152 miles and giving fifty-two addresses, several times taking the whole of a church service. The travelling expenses thus incurred, together with those for attending Committee meetings in other places, have been $113.29. In some cases my expenses were paid by the church visited. During July and August last year, I took charge of thirteen church services.

The need of a central office is more apparent as the months go by. It has become not only a place of meeting but also a purchasing agency and employment bureau, besides serving many other purposes.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. W. BARKER, Treasurer.

FORWARD MOVEMENT FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Ending June 16, 1922 to June 15, 1923.

It is now nearly four years since we Congregationalists entered upon the great Forward Movement, simultaneously with four other denominations. After four years of war, the Armistice had been signed and our thanks to God were shown in a great peace thank-offering for the work of His Kingdom. Indeed the aims of the Movement were both spiritual and material. The spiritual results cannot be tabulated, besides which this report is intended only to cover the financial.

The joy with which we received the glad news that the people of our churches had subscribed not only the objective of $100,000.00, but had given more than 30 per cent. beyond it, is still fresh in our memories. It was a wonderful achievement. The payments were to be spread over three years and the final instalment became due last October.

The real test of a race is in the last lap, and this final year has presented difficulties and disappointments which did not appear in the earlier part of the campaign. These will be seen as we pass along. The Forward Movement year runs from June 15 to June 15. The audited statement is published herewith:

RECEIPTS

Balance brought forward:		
Bank	$ 3,982 10	
Petty Cash	7 36	
		$ 3,989 46
Remittances on subscriptions		17,265 13
Bank Interest		74 63
		$21,329 22

EXPENDITURES

Stationery and Printing	$ 38 43	
Postage and Exchange	$ 24 99	
Auditor's Fee	15 00	
		$ 78 42
Paid to Objects of Forward Movement:		
C.C.F.M.S.	$ 6,100 00	
C.C.M.S.	12,601 16	
		18,701 16
Balance on hand:		
Royal Bank	$ 2,540 68	
Petty Cash	8 06	
		2,549 64
		$21,329 22

We have audited the books, vouchers and accounts of the Congregational Forward Movement for the year ended June 15th, 1923, and certify that the foregoing statement is in accordance therewith.

(Signed) OSCAR HUDSON AND CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

The statement for the whole period of the Movement shows that 97 churches subscribed $133,819.00, and that personal subscriptions and interest brought the amount up to $136,000.00. Of this total, $109,652.00 has been paid. 38 churches have paid in full, and five of these have given a total of $159.00 more than they subscribed. All honor to these 38 churches which have so faithfully carried out their obligations.

Now we come to a more disappointing feature. The amount still owing by the other 59 churches is just $26,506.00. Two owe more than $5,000.00 each; one between $2,000.00 and $3,000.00; four between $1,000.00 and $2,000.00; three between $500.00 and $1,000.00; sixteen between $100.00 and $500.00; and thirty-three less than $100.00. It is impossible to make anything like an accurate estimate of what might be termed good or collectible out of this total of $26,506.00. A careful scrutiny, however, has been made of the individual cards of each church. We have carried on a mass of correspondence, having communicated again and again with pastors and treasurers, and in many cases by special request have written direct to the individual subscribers (often with good results) and the closest estimate we can make shows that about $5,200 00 more may be expected, outside estimate being $6,700.00. This coincides with my forecast given to the Union Executive last January.

The indifference shown by a number of subscribers to their written promise is beyond comprehension. Some subscriptions have actually been repudiated, although we hold signed cards which in a court of law would be held to be binding. The objects of the Fund were fully announced again and again at the time the subscriptions were taken, and yet some subscribers claim that they thought they were subscribing to an endowment fund for the augmentation for all time of salaries of underpaid ministers. In another case, because the church has recently been closed, some subscribers claim that they are released from their obligation and so refuse to pay the balance of their pledges. Other cases might be cited, but they all go to show how much we need a revival in common honesty.

A further statement is also presented showing the progress of the Movement year by year from the commencement, together with a complete summary. This statement is divided into four sections:

(1) Campaign expenses. There amounted to $11,951.00, made up of salaries, travelling, rent, our share United National Campaign expenses, printing, office supplies, telephone, postage, etc.

(2) Other payments, such as for general denominational promotion work, office fixtures and typewriter, and amount voted to assist the Societies in bearing the denominational office expenses.

(3) Payments to the objects of the Fund, $78,300.00, or 87 per cent. of the amount promised to each object.

(4) Payments from the anticipated surplus—$8,900.00, made up of $2,400.00 to the College; $1,200.00 to the Provident Fund, and $5,300.00 given to the Societies toward office expenses.

All these amounts were voted by the Committee in full confidence that the people of our churches would pay what they had promised, allowance being made, of course, for a reasonable shrinkage. It is now evident, however, that instead of having a surplus there will be a deficit.

From June 25th, 1919 (commencement) to June 15th, 1923.

Particulars	1st Year ending June, 1920	2nd Year ending June 1921	3rd Year ending June 1922	4th Year ending June 1923	Total
RECEIPTS.					
Subscriptions paid	$30,774.49	35,535.69	24,072.06	17,265.13	107,647.37
Int. & prof. on bond sales	31.21	1,095.48	803.94	74.65	2,005.26
TOTAL	30,805.70	36,631.17	24,876.00	17,339.76	109,652.63
EXPENDITURES.					
(1) Campaign Expenses:					
Salaries-Director (2/3)	$ 2,400.00	2,000.00	600.00		5,000 00
" Exec. Sec'y	577.94				577.94
" Sten'grapher	765.17				765.17
Travelling-Director	976.81	787.07	160.80		1,924.68
Key Men & Spec. Speak.	754.65	256.60			1,011.25
Exchange Sunday		160.25			160.25
Rent	348.00				348.00
Our share exp. United Nat'l Campaign	674.49				674.49
Printing	363.48	195.85	72.00	18.50	649.83
Office supplies, telephone, postage, audit's fees, etc.	554.66	91.70	133.51	59.92	839.79
TOTAL	$ 7,415.20	3,491.47	666.31	78.42	11,951.40
(2) Other Payments:					
Share Dir. Sal. (1/3)	$1,200.00	1,000.00	300.00		2,500.00
Grant Rev. J.T. Tucker	500.00				500.00
Off. Fix. & Typewr'er	353.05				353.05
Printing Pamphlets	734.16	255.52	108.86		1,098.54
Proportion Off. Exp.		1,700.00	1,800.00		3,500.00
TOTAL	$2,787.21	2,955.52	2,208.86		7,951.59
(3) Payments to Objects of Fund:					
C.C.F.M.S.-Currie Inst.	$	10,000.00	10,000.00	6,100.00	26,100.00
C.C.M.S. Augmentation		6,394.10	28,323.53	8,782.37	43,500.00
C.C.M.S. New Work		381.21	4,500.00	3,818.79	8,700.00
TOTAL	$	16,775.31	42,823.53	18,701.16	78,300.00

Particulars	1st Year ending June, 1920	2nd Year ending June 1921	3rd Year ending June 1922	4th Year ending June 1923	Total
(4) PAYMENTS FROM ANTICIPATED SURPLUS:					
To C.C.F.M.S. for Coll.	$	1,000.00			1,000.00
To " " Prov. Fund		500.00			500.00
To " " Off. Exp.		1,600.00	1,300.00		2,900.00
To C.C.M.S. for Coll.		1,400.00			1,400.00
To " " Prov. Fund		700.00			700.00
To " " Off. Exp.		1,400.00	1,000.00		2,400.00
TOTAL	$	6,600.00	2,300.00		8,900.00
Bank Balance	$			2,549.64	2,549.64
GRAND TOTAL	$10,202.41	29,822.30	48,298.70	21,329.22	109,652.63

In the final analysis of the Fund, what do we find?

(1) That the objects of the Fund have received 87c. on the dollar, the objects being;

(a) Augmentation of Salaries, $50,000.00, bringing the salary of a regular field up to $1,400.00 and a house.

(b) New work, $10,000.00.

(c) Currie Institute Building Fund, $30,000.00.

(2) That the cash on hand, $2,549.00 and the $5,200.00 estimated receipts will enable the Fund to pay about 9c. on the dollar more, making 96c. in all and leaving each objective about 4c. on the dollar short, or, in other words $2,000.00 short on Augmentation, $1,200.00 short on Currie Institute, and $400.00 short on New Work Fund.

(3) The failure of so many subscribers to make up the amounts promised will mean that the College and Provident Fund cannot receive anything more for there will be no surplus out of which to pay them, and in fact the payments already made may be recalled by the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. BARKER,
Executive Secretary.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. I. W. Pierce presented the report of the Nominating Committee as follows:

General Secretary:—Rev. Wm. T. Gunn, D.D.

Recording Secretary:—Rev. R. Wilson Carr.

Treasurer—Mr. H. W. Barker.

Statistical Secretary:—Rev. W. J. D. Gibson.

Supt. Young People's Dept.:—Rev. J. L. Alexander, B.D.

Executive:—Rev. Frank Sanders, Rev. I. W. Pierce, Rev. Dr. D. L. Ritchie, Rev. W. H. Warriner, D.D., Rev. George Adam, Rev. A. F. Pollock, B.D., Rev. W. G. Martin, Rev. G. Ellery Read, D.D., Rev. W. J. D. Gibson, Messrs. E. J. Joselin, Richard Hooper, Lorne V. Johnstone, D. Hilton, J. G. Fuller, W. A. Hollinrake, W. J. Aitchison, Mrs. C. R. Crowe, and representative of Maritime Union.

Consulting Members of the Union Executive:—Rev. M. H. Sanderson, Rev. John Murray, Rev. T. W. Jones, M.A., Rev. M. T. Walker, Rev. Major H. I. Horsey, Messrs. W. H. Smith, William Rettie, F. W. Robins, Judge S. P. Leet, J. H. Pedley, J. B. Waugh.

Church Union Committee:—Revs. Hugh Pedley, D.D., J. W. Pedley, W. H. Warriner, D.D., W. T. Gunn, D.D., D. L. Ritchie, D.D., George Adam, Major H. I. Horsey, J. L. Alexander, B.D., James T. Daley, D.D., A. F. Pollock, T. W. Jones, J. W. Newbery, W. H. Thomas, W. J. D. Gibson and Messrs, W. J. Aitchison, John T. Field, W. D. Lighthall, A. McA. Murphy, George A. Moore and J. Wilfred Kennedy. M.P.

Five Members to the Prohibition Federation:—Judge S. P. Leet, Rev. Wm. T. Gunn, Rev. A. F. Pollock, B.D., Rev. W. G. Martin, Mrs. C. R. Crowe.

Union Preacher:—Rev. Donald McLeod.

Publishing Committee:—Messrs. F. J. Smith, D. Hilton, C. A. Tubby, Jas. H. Pedley, Robert Wightman, and Rev. A. L. Richards.

Young People's Department General Committee:—

Western Association: Rev. Frank Sanders, Rev. T. DeC. Rayner, Rev. W. G. Martin, and Duncan Longmire.

Toronto Association: Rev. George Knighton, Mr. Allen P. McNabb.

Quebec Association: Rev. W. H. Thomas, Rev. T. W. Jones, Rev. Chas. Cushing, Mr. T. W. Munro.

Maritime Provinces: Rev. Campbell Tavener, Mr. J. W. Flewwelling.

Middle West: Rev. Geo. A. Dickson.

British Columbia: Rev. A. K. McMinn, Rev. A. E. Cooke, Messrs. Gilbert Heisler, E. B. Day.

Members at Large: Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D., Principal D. L. Ritchie, D.D., Mrs. Robt. Wightman, Miss Florence Booth, Mrs. W. G. Martin, Mr. H. W.Barker, Miss Effie A. Jamieson, Rev. H. A. Carson, B.A.

Social Service Committee:—Rev. A. F. Pollock, Judge S. P. Leet, Rev. E. D. Silcox, Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D., Mrs. R. W. McLachlan, Miss Mary McNabb, Mrs. C. R. Crowe, Rev. Matthew Kelly, Rev. M. H. Sanderson, and Mr. W. A. Hollingrake.

Representatives on College Senate:—Chairman of the Union, Rev. Dr. Hugh Pedley, Rev. George Adam, Mr. J. G. Fuller, Dr. F. A. Stevenson, W. H. Smith.

REPORT OF PUBLISHING COMMITTEE

The Report of the Chairman of the Publishing Committee was read by Mr. Barker, and accepted as follows:

"The Publishing Committee takes pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for 1922-23. Your Committee has been able throughout the year to issue the paper regularly on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, excepting during July and August, when monthly issues came out.

The Committee met eight times during the year, and conferences of the officers were held frequently.

Owing to the removal of Rev. W. H. Thomas from Toronto, Mr. J. H. Pedley, B.A., was appointed Secretary-Treasurer, and has rendered good service.

1. "CONGREGATIONALIST":

We have asked for the appointment of an agent and correspondent in every church, but the response has not been general. In a number of churches, however, this plan is working well. Our efforts to increase the circulation have resulted in a number of new names being added, but we regret that owing to the drop of so many who were in arrears—many of whom paid up but did not wish to continue, our subscription list is smaller that it was a year ago. The raising of the price from $1.25 to $1.50 we do not think has affected the list appreciably. There are at present 971 names on the list, and, after deducting say 35 for exchanges and advertisers the list represents living and interested subscribers. These are divided as follows.

Province or District	Membership	No. of Subscribers	% of Members taking Paper
Ontario	5,663	546	9.6
Quebec	2,769	170	6.1
Maritime	680	80	14.7
Western	3,060	97	3.1
United States and Foreign	.....	78	.....
TOTAL	12,172	971	

We have tried to inaugurate a "Congregationalist" day at the beginning of the year when every minister is requested to commend the paper from his pulpit, this to be followed during the week by a canvass for new subscribers. We have put this proposition to the Churches during the last two years.

A great deal of time and money has been spent in writing to delinquent subscribers. Prompt payment of subscriptions in adance would not only save all this, but would keep our subscribers in good humour. Some people —even church officers—seem to think they should get the paper without paying for it, that it is one of the emoluments of belonging to a Congregational Church. After writing four or five times to those who were two years or more behind, and receiving a number of remittances, drafts were issued on a few and about $50.00 additional collected in this way. Another thing about getting behind is that we lost the subscribers and the paper sometimes loses friends. In one case a man on whom we issued a draft paid the draft but said he did not like our method of doing business. We were able to give him the date of five letters which were written to him and of which he had taken no notice. Sometimes we have told them we would leave the matter to their own conscience, but usually the conscience has not been educated up to the point of prompting payment.

An examination of our mailing list shows that $568.00 has been paid in advance for subscriptions, constituting a liability, while $381.00 is owing for those overdue, about 75 per cent. of which is reckoned as collectable.

We have had the office file of the paper for the past eight years bound in four large volumes.

Your Committee was able last September to secure a reduced rate for the printing of the paper, namely $85.00 an issue instead of $98.75 While the receipts from subscriptions have not been as large this year as last, $1,004.18, as against $1,359.03, (last year's receipts included a much larger amount for arrears than this year's), we have received for advertising $408.55, which is $178.00 more than last year and $290.00 more than the year before. This is largely the result of raising our advertising rates as reported last year.

Four hundred dollars is allowed to the Editor each year for office assistance. This has been drawn upon only to the extent of $222.40. For the eleven months the paper shows a deficit of $198.25, as against $201.92 last year, and we have oustanding liabilities at this date of $568.05 with current assets of $381.20.

2. YEAR BOOK:

We always look to the Year Book to make up, if possible, the "Congregationalist" deficit. Through the purchase of about 25 pages of standing type (constitutions, etc.) which can be used year after year in the printing of the Year book, and by reason also of getting much of the type-setting done during the holiday season when things were slack, we were able to save $195.00 on the cost of the book, and thus make a considerable saving to the Societies. Our receipts for advertisements netted us $229.00, and sales to churches were $324.20. The Year Book turns in a profit of 464.38, which offsets the "Congregationalist" deficit and leaves $273.00 on hand.

Respectfully submitted,
F. J. Smith, Chairman.

STATEMENT CONGREGATIONAL PUBLISHING CO.

June 1st, 1922 to April 30th, 1923.
(11 Months)

CANADIAN CONGREGATIONALIST:

RECEIPTS

Subscriptions	$ 1,004 18
Advertisements	408 55
C.C.M.S.	300 00
C.C.C.	200 00
C.C.F.M.S.	200 00
Extras and Sundries	240 94
Deficit	310 24
	$ 2,663.91

EXPENDITURES

Printing	$ 2,084 31
Sundry Printing	54 83
Editor	150 00
Rev. T. DeC. Rayner	25 00
Office Assistance	222 40
Postage	71 12
Sundry	56 25
	$ 2,663.91

CONGREGATIONAL YEAR BOOK:

RECEIPTS

Year Book Sales		$ 324 20
Received from Societies		445 40
Advertisements		229 00
		$ 998 60

EXPENDITURES

Paid Printer	$	507.87
Bonus to Editor		100 00
Bonus to Secretary		25 00
Sundries		26 35
Profit		339 38
	$	998 60

SUMMARY:

Balance carried forward June 1st, 1921	$	7 67
Net Profit on Year Book, 1922-3		339 38
	$	347 05
Less Deficit on "Congregationalist,"		310 24
Carry forward	$	36 81

LIABILITIES:

To Editor's Salary, March and April	$	33 33

(Signed) J. H. PEDLEY,
Secretary-Treasurer.

The following report of the Editor was presented:

"On behalf of Dr. Gunn and myself, I want to thank the ministers and members of our churches for the kind way in which they have received the paper, and also for the many gracious words which have come to hand. A number of our ministers have also contributed to our columns, and for this we desire to thank them. We have been very much encouraged and cheered in the editorial work.

Neither of us, on account of pressure of other duties, has been able to do for the "Congregationalist" as much as we would like. We are conscious of many short-comings but we are doing the best we can under the circumstances. As Editor, I may tell you that the editorial work, and the preparation of copy—for everything that comes in for publication has to be carefully gone over,—is done in the evenings in the quiet of my own home or in other homes if I happen to be away. It is not possible to do this in the office in the regular hours with so many interruptions, even if the time could be found. In addition to preparing copy, there is the work of reviewing two or three books every week, and also glancing over thirty papers and magazines. Of the books which have come for review, about 75 have afterwards been given to our ministers and missionaries, each being sent where we think it will be most helpful. Much of our review work has been done on street cars and railway trains.

Papers and magazines, not only in Canada, but also in the United States and England, frequently quote from our columns—sometimes, I regret to say,

without credit being given. In one case, a column was taken word for word without any acknowledgment. Usually, however, our exchanges are very courteous.

It is our aim to make the outside front cover as attractive as possible. Sometimes we use a picture, sometimes a poem, and sometimes a message specially prepared. I have often spent more time on the preparation of these front pages than on a long editorial. It is our desire that they should convey a strong spiritual message, and that it should be quickly presented and easily remembered. These messages and our editorials are "broadcasted" through the paper from the Atlantic to the Pacific, across the line, and over the ocean, besides a few in distant countries, i.e., Africa, Greece, Japan and China.

We need the prayers and help of every minister and officer—help in increasing the circulation and help in occasionally contributing to our pages, but please be brief as we are invariably crowded for space.

Interesting discussions have recently taken place regarding Church Union, and, as Church Union approaches, our pages will carry important information which everyone of our members should have. Now is the time, therefore, to press upon our members, and especially upon our church officers, the necessity of subscribing for the paper.

The work which you have committed to me as Editor and Business Manager is thoroughly enjoyed, and I thank God for this additional opportunity of endeavouring to help to advance the work of the kingdom.

I regret to report that Mr. F. J. Smith, our worthy President has been ill a good deal of the year, and we have been deprived of his valuable aid and guidance for a time. He is now, however, much improved in health.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) H. W. BARKER,
Editor and Business Manager."

On motion of Mr. E. J. Joselin, seconded by Rev. W. H. Thomas, it was resolved that a letter of sympathy in his illness be forwarded to the Chairman of the Publishing Committee, Mr. F. J. Smith.

MILITARY SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Report of the Military Service Board was read and approved as follows:

"At our last Annual Convention, convened in Brantford, Ontario, the Congregational Union decided to continue the Military Service Board for another year so that the small fund remaining in the Treasury might be available in cases of need among our returned men. No meetings have been held during the year, and the only item of interest was the issuing of a cheque to Rev. W. J. D. Gibson of Birchcliff for the sum of $25.00 to be applied for relief of a soldier's family in his parish. There remains in the Bank $103.00 which we recommend should be transferred to the Congregational Union funds to be used at their discretion in behalf of ex-soldiers.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) A. F. POLLOCK,
Chairman."

SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Report of the Chairman, Rev. M. Kelly, of the Social and Moral Reform Committee, was read by Rev. A. F. Pollock, as follows:

" On the resignation of Rev. F. J. Day, D.D., as Convener of the Social Service Committee, Rev. M. Kelly was appointed to the Executive of the Union to fill the vacancy. This appointment took place toward the end of January, and since that time there has been little to report. The following resolutions, however have been drawn up by the Committee and are now submitted to the Union for consideration, and, if thought wise, adoption.

1. Believing that the Christian religion has, as its objective, not only the salvation of the soul, but also the redemption of society, we would urge that all our Churches and Ministers keep steadily before them this great mission of the Church, and further in every way possible individual and social regeneration.

2. In the belief that the home is the foundation of human society, we recognize the faithfulness with which many parents discharge their duty to their children in rearing them for the Kingdom and service of Christ; but we also note the way in which others neglect this sacred duty; and we would urge that our people give increasing attention to these responsibilities, and that our Ministers bring this subject frequently to the attention of their congregations.

3. With regard to Child Welfare, we are gratified to note the advance that has been made recently and the increased public interest in this subject.

   In Ontario During the year 1919, the death rate among infants under 12 months was 116 per thousand infants born. Last year the death rate among such infants was 82 per thousand born.
   In the City of London, Ontario, the death rate among such infants four years ago was 117 per thousand infants born; today it is reduced to 65.5 per thousand.

   Proper sanitation, sterilization of milk, healthful feeding and Baby Clinics, can reduce the present death rate in Canada among infants 50 per cent. In the City of Dunedin, New Zealand, the infant death rate has been reduced to 32 per thousand born.

   Your Committee recognizes the great importance of conserving the lives of these native born Canadians, and especially in these days when so much attention is being given to the subject of immigration; for no increase in our population is so valuable as an increase in native born citizens.

   In view of these facts we would urge that Child Welfare, through which so much is being accomplished, be given still greater encouragement and support by our people in all the Provinces of Canada.

4. One of the most distressing evils with which Society has to deal is that of family desertion. Statistics are not available for the Dominion, but there can be no doubt that the evil is wide-spread. In a recent survey of the city of London, Ontario, with a population of about 63,000, there were 49 cases of family desertion reported. Legislation has recently been enacted making it an extraditable offence; but your committee would recommend that it be made a punishable offence, and with the aid of parole or other system, the offender be forced by law to work and maintain his family.

5. In view of the Divorce evil, we would place ourselves on record as opposed to Provincial Divorce Courts being established, and in so far as divorces are granted by the Parliament of Canada, we recommend that they be granted only where infidelity is proven.

6. Regarding prohibition, we would gratefully acknowledge the splendid results which have already been derived from its enforcement in various provinces. These results are only partial, as compared with what might be if we could secure a Federal Prohibition Law, which is what we aim for.

   In the meantime your Committee would recommend that this Union respectfully call upon the Dominion Government to pass laws to give effect to the will of the people who desire prohibition, whether it be expressed by provinces or by lesser political divisions.

7. We would re-affirm our former position on Race-Track Gambling. We note that during the last session of Parliament, a Bill dealing with this evil was defeated. The bill was introduced by Mr. W. C. Good, M.P. We are interested in knowing that 80 per cent. of the Progressive members in Parliament voted for the Bill.

   Your Committee feel that the time is opportune for this Union to call upon the Government in every way to curtail and finally to prohibit this practice, and we thus recommend.

8. Regarding the illicit use of Drugs, we note the assertion that has been made that Prohibition is responsible for the increased use of Drugs. This assertion is incorrect. On the contrary, it has been shown that the two Provinces that dealt most in drugs in Canada in 1921 were wet Provinces. "There are seven dry Provinces in Canada with an aggregate population of 5,890,000, and in these Provinces in 1921 there were 711 convictions for the use of drugs, or 12 convictions per 100,000 people. On the other hand there are two wet Provinces in Canada with a population of 2,995,000, and in these two wet Provincese there were 1,153 convictions, or 40 convictions per 100,000 population. This difference of 12 convictions in dry Provinces to 40 convictions in wet territory is an argument overwhelmingly in favour of our contention that Prohibition is not responsible for the drug menace, and your Committee would recommend that every effort be made by the Authorities to check, and, if possible, destroy, this health shattering habit.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) M. KELLY,

Convener."

On motion, Clause No. 5 was amended as follows: "As to Divorce, we regret very much to see the large increase in applications for Divorce during recent years. We believe divorce should be granted only where infidelity is proven."

Rev. Dr. W. T. G. Brown of the Methodist Church in Canada was introduced, and extended greetings.

Rev. Wesley McGaw of the Presbyterian Church in Canada was received and extended greetings.

Mr. Barker reported in behalf of the Finance Committee that expenses of delegates would be paid in full.

Rev. Dr. Gunn read a notice of motion given by Rev. W. H. Thomas. It was moved by Rev. Dr. Gunn and seconded by Rev. Frank Sanders, :that the Constitution of the Union be altered as follows:

"Standing Rules":

1. Membership: (c) After word "Membership" in second line to add, "In a Congregational Church and," and alter "certificate" to "certificates" in previous line.

(d) After word "ministers" insert "being members of a Congregational Church who bear," omit word "bearing."

At noon the Rev. Dr. Hugh Pedley delivered the closing Devotional address entitled, "The Link Between the Task and the Power."

At 8 o'clock the Chairman, Rev. J. Lambert Alexander, B.D., presided, assisted by Rev. W. G. Martin.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Rev. W. H. Thomas, in behalf of the Resolutions' Committee, submited the following resolutions, which were approved:

1. The Congregational Union of Canada, assembled in Annual Session, sends loving greetings to the Rev. E. D. Silcox, and rejoices with him on the near approach of the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination for the Chrisian ministry. It recognizes with gratitude the devoted service he has rendered to the churches of the denomination throughout this long period, and prays that the blessing of God may continue to rest upon him and his. With sincere appreciation it has heard of his recent gifts to the Home Missionary Society, and recognizes in this, further evidence of his whole-hearted loyalty to the Church at large.

2. We, the Congregational Union of Canada, assembled in Annual Session hereby record our profound sense of gratitude to God for the energetic life and faithful service of the Rev. Thomas Hall, formerly General Superintendent of the Denomination. Having given himself with unfailing cheerfulness and sacrificial devotion to the cause of Christ, he has gone to his reward. We tender our sympathy to his bereaved widow and to his sorrowing sons and daughters.

3. We, the Congregational Union of Canada, assembled in Annual Session, hereby express our deep regret at the passing of Mrs. Dr. J. W. Cox, and our sincere sympathy with the bereaved husband and family.

4. We, the Congregational Union of Canada, assembled in Annual Session, hereby express our deep regret at the sudden passing of the Rev. Byron H. Stauffer, D.D., and our sincere sympathy with his widow and family.

5. We, the Congregational Union of Canada, assembled in Annual Session, reciprocate the good wishes of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, as conveyed and expressed so felicitously by the Rev. J. W. G. Ward, of Tollington Park, London, and pray that the Divine guidance may be vouchsafed them and ourselves alike in our labours for the Kingdom of God.

   (Similar resolutions for the Colonial Missionary Society, the Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions, and the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.)

6. The Congregational Union of Canada, in Annual Session assembled, hereby expresses sincere sympathy with the Chairman of the Publishing Committee, Mr. F. J. Smith, in his sickness. It rejoices at the report of his improved condition, and prays that he may be speedily and completely restored."

The Rev. Donald Macleod delivered an address on "Serving Three Denominations At Once."

The Rev. R. Wilson Carr moved, seconded by Rev. W. J. D. Gibson, that the Minutes of the morning and evening sessions be taken as read, and the Secretary be instructed to edit the Minutes for Publication in the Year Book.

The General Secretary read a telegram of felicitation from Rev. E. Munson Hill, D.D., also a telegram from the Presbyterian General Assembly in Port Arthur, reciprocating the greetings of the Congregational Union of Canada.

The Rev. D. L. Ritchie, D.D., delivered an address in behalf of the Congregational College of Canada.

The Union then adjourned.

R. W. CARR,
Recording Secretary.

THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OFFICERS FOR 1923-24

Honorary President—Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D.

President—Mr. W. J. Aitchison.

Honorary Secretary—Rev. Dr. D. L. Ritchie.

Secretary—Rev. Dr. William T. Gunn.

Treasurer—Mr. H. W. Barker.

Educational Secretary—Rev. A. L. Richards.

Supt. of Immigration Dept.—Rev. T. W. Jones, M.A.

Auditors—Messrs. Oscar Hudson and Co.

Executive—The Officers together with Rev. H. A. Carson, B.A., Rev. Campbell Tavener, Rev. Frank Sanders, Rev. A. E. Teale, Rev. J. Lambert Alexander, B.A., Mr. Arthur Congdon and Miss Effie Jamieson.

General Committee—The Executive together with Revs. J. T. Daley, D.D., Matthew Kelly, M. H. Sanderson, W. G. Martin, H. D. Whitmore, J. L. Alexander, B.D., G. H. Craik, B.A., John Murray, George Adam, Geo. A. Mackenzie, Dr. W. H. Warriner, and Messrs. Thos. Moodie, D. Hilton, Judge S. P. Leet, E. J. Joselino, Wm. Rettie, Darwin Higginson, John T. Field, E. B. Day, W. H. Smith, R. Robertson, W. E. McKilliean.

Representatives Inter-Church Advisory Council—Rev. Dr. Gunn and Mr. W. J. Aitchison.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This Corporation shall be called "The Canada Congregational Missionary Society," and shall conduct its operations within the limits of the Dominion of Canada.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECTS.

The objects of this Society shall be as set forth in the Act of Incorporation, namely, to plant and to foster Congregational Churches in suitable localities; to aid churches in sustaining their pastors where required.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

All persons being members or adherents of Congregational Churches, paying two dollars annually into the funds of the Society, shall be members, and those who *subscribe at one time fifty dollars or more* shall be life members. Churches subscribing annually ten dollars or more may be represented at the annual meeting of the Society by one delegate, and churches subscribing fifty dollars or more may be represented by two delegates. Each auxiliary branch contributing annually to the funds of the Society ten dollars or more may be represented by one delegate. The above-mentioned subscribers and delegates shall constitute the membership of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

The officers of the Society shall be a President, an Honorary President, a Secretary, a Field Secretary, an Honorary Secretary, a Treasurer; a Superin-

tendent of Immigration may also be appointed. The Standing Committees shall be a General Committee and an Executive Committee. These officers and committees shall be appointed at the annual meeting of the Society, and shall be members of the Corporation. The General Committee shall consist of the President, Secretary, Field Secretary, Treasurer, Superintendent, Educational Secretary, Superintendent of Immigration, Honorary President and Honorary Secretary, and not more than twenty-five members. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Honorary President, the President, the Secretary, Field Secretary, the Treasurer, the Superintendent, the Honorary Secretary, the Educational Secretary, Superintendent of Immigration Department, one member from each District Association within the bounds of the operations of the Society, and one from the Winnipeg Congregational Church Extension and Building Society, and one from The Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions, together with the Chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada, ex-officio during his year of office, and these members shall hold office from the date of their election by their various Associations.

ARTICLE V.—DUTIES.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and its committees, when practicable, and shall seek to promote the general interest of the Society's work.

The Secretary shall have charge of the books and correspondence of the Society, shall call the meetings of the Society and its committees, and shall exhibit the records of the proceedings at each meeting.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Society, disbursing them as directed by the General or Executive Committee, and shall present annually a full account of all receipts and disbursements.

The Superintendent shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee, to whom he shall report quarterly, visit the churches of the Congregational Order within the bounds of the Society's operation with a view of deepening their interest in its work, and of securing liberal contributions for the Society, and shall explore new mission fields, secure missionaries for vacant churches, and have a general oversight of the interests and work of the Society.

The Auditors shall examine the accounts of the Society when required, and make an annual audit of the Treasurer's books previous to the annual meeting of the Society.

The General Committee shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Society, have charge of annual mission grants made to the churches, examine, employ and direct all the missionaries of the Society, and have a general supervision of its affairs. They shall present a report of the work of the Society at each of its annual meetings.

The Executive Committee shall have full charge and power for the administration of the affairs of the Society during the interval between the annual meetings of the General Committee; shall receive all applications from churches for aid from the Society, and report thereon to the General Committee, to whom they shall make an annual report of their proceedings.

ARTICLE VI.—MEETING.

The Corporation shall meet annually on the first Wednesday after the first Sunday in June, at the place where the Congregational Union of Canada assembles. A public annual missionary meeting shall be held on the evening of the next day. Special meetings for the despatch of special business may be called by the Executive Committee at such time and place as may be deemed desirable, provided that a month's notice be given thereof. The General Committee shall hold their meeting at the same time and place as the Corporation, at the call of the Secretary; and the Executive Committee shall hold their quarterly meeting at the time and place it may be agreed upon.

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH EXTENSION AND BUILDING FUND.

All sums of money specially collected, given or bequeathed for the purpose, together with the proceeds received from the sale of disused church property, shall form a Church Extension and Building Fund, which shall be invested by the Corporation, who may apply the income thereof, by the General or Executive Committee, by the way of loans, or otherwise, for the organization of churches in new fields, and for the erection or enlargement of places of worship where they may be required.

ARTICLE VIII.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Auxiliary branches of this Society may be formed in churches and localities, to co-operate in the work of the Society. Each branch shall, at least one month previous to the annual meeting of the Society, make an annual report to the Secretary and send to the Treasurer all funds collected on its behalf.

ARTICLE IX.—MISSIONARIES.

Each missionary in the employment of the Society must be a regularly accredited member of a Congregational Church, and shall endeavour faithfully to promote all the interests of the Congregational denomination in Canada. He shall send to the Secretary a half-yearly statement of his work, and furnish such statistical returns as may be called for.

ARTICLE X.—MISSIONS.

Each church requiring a missionary grant by the General Committee must make application therefor through the Secretary, at least one month previous to the annual meeting of the Society, according to the printed forms provided, in which a certificate to the effect that all previous pledges of support to its pastor have been fulfilled shall be inserted. Churches aided by this Society are required to make an annual collection for the funds and to keep their property sufficiently insured and such churches acquiring property shall have inserted in the Trust Deed a clause providing that in case the church shall at any time be disbanded or cease to exist the property shall revert to the Society.

ARTICLE XI.—RECEIVING AND DISMISSING PASTORS.

Churches aided by the Society are required, as far as practicable, in the settlement and dismissal of pastors, to carry out the recommendations passed by the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, in 1876, in relation to Councils. In cases where this is impracticable, the sanction of the Executive Committee must be obtained before a settlement or dismissal of a pastor is consummated.

ARTICLE XII.—CONVEYING PROPERTY.

The President, Treasurer and Secretary, or any two of them, shall be the duly authorized persons on behalf of the Corporation to convey real estate and other securities, and to discharge mortgages, and the Treasurer shall be the duly authorized person, on behalf of the Corporation, to accept conveyances of real estate and other securities and to receive mortgages. The Treasurer shall affix the Corporation seal to all documents which may require it.

ARTICLE XIII.—AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting of the Society, one day's notice having previously been given of the proposed amendment, in writing.

NOTICE.

It is becoming more than ever a practice among Christian people to recognize the Lord's portion in their Last Wills and Testaments, whereby, though they be dead, they speak and act in the furtherance of Missionary, Educational and

Benevolent objects. American Congregationalists are among the most wise and generous in this day, and have left legacies of blessing for succeeding generations. Among the members of our Congregational churches in Canada there have also been those who have followed a likewise generous course.

For the guidance of those who may desire to make like bequests, the following legal form is subjoined. The amount bequeathed may be devoted specially to the Church Extension and Building Fund, in which case the income would only be used, or may be given for the general purposes of the Society.

FORM FOR A BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, incorporated by the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, A.D. 1885, the sum of $.....out of my estate, to be paid.....without any charge or deduction whatever, and I direct that the receipt of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Society shall constitute and be a sufficient discharge thereof.

THE SEVENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Held in the First Congregational Church, Ottawa, Ont., June 6-7, 1923.

Mr. W. J. Aitchison, the President, in the Chair.

The Meeting opened with Prayer.

The Annual Report was presented on behalf of the Executive by the Secretary, Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D., and on motion adopted.

The Treasurer, Mr H. W. Barker, presented the Treasurer's Report which on motion was adopted.

The Immigration Department Report was given by the Supt., Rev. T. W. Jones, M.A., and adopted.

The Officers and General Committee were then elected as in the list heading this report.

The resolution in favour of Church Union was then read by the Secretary, who certified to due notice having been given in four numbers of The Canadian Congregationalist.

The meeting then adjourned.

ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

In First Congregational Church, Ottawa, on Thursday, June 7th at 11.00 a.m.

In the absence of the President, Mr. W. J. Aitchison, and at the request of the Honorary President, Dr. Hugh Pedley, it was moved and carried that Rev. Dr. D. Ritchie, take the Chair.

The Church Union resolution was then moved by Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D., seconded by Rev. T. W. Jones, M.A., and carried unanimously as follows:

That the Canada Congregational Missionary Society hereby approves of the Basis of Union adopted by the Congregational Union of Canada, the Methodist Church, Canada, and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, for the union of the the denominations in "The United Church of Canada."

That the Canada Congregational Missionary Society also approves of the draft legislation, Dominion and Provincial recommended by the Joint Committee on Church Union.

That the Canada Congregational Missionary Society hereby authorizes and instructs the Congregational Union of Canada, through a duly appointed Committee, to act for and on behalf of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society to procure the enactment of the said proposed Acts of the Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada, or such other legislation of the Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada and the Legislatures of the colonies and the countries outside of Canada having jurisdiction over any of the property of the negotiating churches as such committee may deem necessary or requisite in order to effectuate and consummate the union of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Methodist Church, Canada, and the Congregational Churches of Canada, in accordance with the provisions of the Basis of Union and the general principles contained in the said proposed Acts, the said committee to have full power and authority for and on behalf of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society to consider and deal with any proposals, defined as aforesaid, made by or on behalf of any of the negotiating Churches, or any committee thereof, or otherwise, with respect to the said legislation, to make or concur in any changes or amendments to the said proposed Acts, that they, in their discretion, may deem advisable in order to carry into effect the provisions of the Basis of Union and the general principles contained in the said proposed Acts, and with the representatives of the other negotiating Churches to settle and determine the final form of any such legislation and generally to do all such acts and things as the said committee may deem expedient to procure whatever legislation may, in their opinion, be necessary or requisite to effectuate and consummate the said Union, pursuant to the provisions of the Basis of Union and the principles contained in the said proposed Acts.

Greetings from The Congregational Union of England and Wales and from The Colonial Missionary Society, were then given by Rev. J. W. G. Ward of Tollington Park Church, London, England.

Greetings from The Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions were presented by Mrs. Peter Munroe.

Greetings from The Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were given by Rev. Campbell Tavener, Acting Chairman of that Union.

The meeting then adjourned.

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY, 1922-23.

This year our Society has reached the three score and ten and your Executive have pleasure in presenting the seventieth annual report.

The year has been one of good steady work, of fields well filled, of new fields opened up and of great and varied help to our Churches, as the report will show.

ANNUAL SURVEY

A very brief glimpse of the many fields under our care is all that space will permit. Beginning in the East, Margaree in Cape Breton celebrated their centenary last fall and entertained the Maritime Union at its last meeting. Rev. F. G. Purnell is remaining as pastor and the hoped for combination with neighbouring fields has not yet been accomplished.

Kingsport in January lost its pastor who removed to Crystal Springs, and no successor has yet been obtained. Pleasant River under Rev. J. M. Hooker is showing signs of better local co-operation between its many churches and stations. Liverpool and Milton have been under Rev. G. W.

Ball who has also for a time cared for Brooklyn and Beach Meadows. Chebogue has been vacant during the year and by the technical decision of the Court in Yarmouth the income of the Kelly trust for the last three years goes to the Halifax School for the Blind who have decided to claim their full legal rights although the service of our ministers for two of the years was interrupted only by sickness and in one case by death. Rev. Campbell Tavener has remained with the Lower Selmah field in spite of invitations elsewhere and the discouragement of seeing several of his best families moving away. Negotiations for rearrangements in this district are now in progress.

Economy is under the care of a Presbyterian pastor. In New Brunswick, Sheffield had its pastor, Dr. Cox, resign, and are supplied by a student for the summer. Co-operation plans with neighbouring Methodist Churches are under consideration. Keswick Ridge have again their former pastor, Rev. Churchill Moore in charge.

Coming to Quebec. The two fields aided by the Shurtleff Fund have both secured new pastors, Rev. W. H. Thomas taking charge of the Ayer's Cliff field and Rev. John Murray settling at Fitch Bay.

In Montreal, Union Coloured Church has just lost their pastor and will be under student care for the summer. Amherst Park is making fine steady progress under Rev. Charles Cushing. Crystal Springs has risen to having a fully ordained settled pastor, Rev. B. J. Lazenby, having been ordained by the Quebec Association on April 25th. The Montreal Council are planning with the proceeds of the sale of Zion Church to assist Crystal Springs in putting up a new building. Ste. Anne de Bellevue Union Church continues its good work under Rev. Donald MacLeod and has reduced its grant.

In Eastern Ontario, Welcome Zion, Ottawa, has this year come to independence again and voted to relinquish their aid from the Augmentation Fund. Kingston Bethel has gone ahead under Mr. A. Sidney Duncan's leadership. Kingston Calvary, under Rev. A. F. Brown, is planning to build larger.

In Central Ontario, Barrie has been doing good steady work under Rev. Wm. Hipkin. Churchill is again supplied by a Baptist pastor from Acton. In Toronto new plans for larger work will be reported under the Zion Trust Fund.

In the Western Association, Hamilton Immanuel has had a good year under Rev. M. T. Walker. Zion Circuit has secured a new pastor in Rev. D. McColl. Frome has retained their pastor, Rev. Wm. Cox, though hoped for linking up with a neighbouring field has not materialised.

Speedside and Garafraxa have been in negotiations for co-operation but will continue as at present. Listowel, under Mr. Walter Rayner, has been feeling the hard times but is now happily feeling the renewal of work in the factories of their town. Negotiations are now in progress for co-operative arrangements in the Windfall and Gobles and in the Shelburne and Maple Grove fields.

In the West. Brandon voted to close last fall but have maintained their Sunday School all winter. They are now transferring their property to our Society as careful investigation did not reveal any possiblities for co-operative work.

Our good friend, Dr. Ralph has happily been able to continue all through the winter his varied ministry to the Carleton Union field.

Calgary, last fall secured a new pastor, Rev. E. J. Thompson, whose services they must appreciate. Grandview, Vancouver, has had a good year. Kitsilano, United Church is planning to build a parsonage. Victoria is rejoicing in good progress under their new pastor, Rev. A. K. McMinn.

OUR RUSSO-GERMAN WORK

Our new Superintendent, Rev. Hermon Seil, has proved himself a wise and earnest spiritual leader. Visiting the fields regularly, he has also conducted evangelistic services in several of the churches with happy result in each case, there being from ten to twenty souls added to each of the Churches. He has also visited and ministered to a number of scattered settlements of his people.

A new Church, called St. Johannes Church, some twelve miles north of Hanna, Alberta, has been organized, with a membership of twenty-two. A new preaching station has also been opened up some fifteen miles south of Maple Creek.

There have been some changes in the pastorates, Rev. Richard Otto, who has had charge of the Calgary Church until April, has been replaced by Rev. Geo. Heuer, from Wala Walla. Rev. A. A. Rieger of the Kincorth field has had to leave for a milder climate on account of his wife's health, and no successor has yet been secured. Rev. G. F. Kissler continues with the Mayton and Beiseker field. Rev. Theo. Strobel at Leader, and Rev. Jacob Kessler at Hanna, have served their fields well. Good reports come to us of Rev. Ed. Hildebrandt, who was ordained and settled on the Irvine circuit last July. Rev. J. A. Hochstatter has continued in the large Hilda circuit in spite of illness.

These fields as a whole suffered from a poor crop and low prices last fall, and it has been a pleasure to be able to help their church building from our Church Extension and Building Fund. With better times, their strong missionary spirit will bring generous returns for the help given.

NEW WORK

From our New Work Fund, we have been assisting the field at Cando, Sask., and neighbourhood where last summer Rev. A. L. Richards, with two students ministered to some thirteen preaching stations.

This district was especially hard hit by crop failure and some of the families have moved away.

At Richard, Sask., Student Collins preached at four stations and had an uunusual development in Sunday School work, holding with the help of the day school teachers, some seven Sunday Schools, several of which were held on week days at the close of school.

In Winnipeg, after negotiations with the sister Churches, we have decided to take over Sunshine Mission, a Sunday School mission some eight blocks away from Crescent Church which with the Central Church will take over the management. The School, this last winter, had an attendance of about 110 and includes a score or more children of non-English speaking families. Our share of the support of this work will come from the New Work Fund.

THE ZION TRUST FUND

From this Fund we have continued the grant to the salary of the Birchcliff pastor, Rev. W. J. D. Gibson. This church, finding the present basement inadequate for their growing work, have made plans for the second step in their building, the addition to the present basement of a two storey addition, giving a fine modern Sunday School plant which will be used for church purposes also. These plans have all been approved by the committee of the Toronto Congregational Council, and the contracts already let and the new building commenced. Our Fund will contribute $12,500.00 and the Church has $7,500.00 subscribed to be paid in two years and will carry $5,000.00 on mortgage.

Negotiations have been going on all winter with the Toronto Evangelical Church of the Deaf. This Church is the result of work begun years ago by one of our fine Congregational laymen, Mr. J. D. Nasmith, and in its years of work as a mission has been largely helped by Congregational leadership. Some time ago this work was organised as a church, but quite independent of any denomination.

They number a membership of about 100, hold five Bible classes in different districts in Toronto every Sunday and go out two and two to a number of centres in Ontario where the deaf people of the district gather for the day. They have been meeting in the Toronto Bible College for Sunday afternoon services, but have greatly felt the need of a building of their own, which could be used for social purposes throughout the week. For this long prayed for building, they have among themselves raised $12,500.00 with about $10,00.00 more subscribed to be paid in the next two years.

They have felt their need of connection with a mother Church and desire to be a part of the United Church of Canada when formed.

After careful consultation it appeared to their Board of Management that by joining our Congregational Union they would find a helpful connection with room for a continuation of their present self government and yet oversight by our body and entry with us into the United Church. On the other hand it seemed to your Executive that this was a very worthy bit of truly Christian work and that the missionary and self supporting spirit of these people was worthy of help which we might render through our organization and by the use of this Zion Trust Fund.

We have pleasure therfore in reporting that the Toronto Evangelical Church of the Deaf has by unanimous vote of its Board of management and by a practically unanimous vote of its Church members applied to this Union meeting for membership and will hereafter be under our care.

We would report also that preliminary steps have been taken looking toward the starting of other new work in Toronto and its suburbs in co-operation with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches, a co-operation which we hope will be more easily arranged after the definite decisions as to Church Union which we expect will be taken this month.

CHURCH EXTENSION AND BUILDING FUND

From the income of this fund during the year we have been able to help our Calgary Church by meeting one cash payment on their mortgage. The First Church, Vancouver, we have again helped by the payment of their interest, they having made payments on the organ and mortgage indebtedness. We also made a small grant to Union Coloured Church, Montreal.

We have been able also to help materially several of our Russo-German Churches in the erection of their buildings, partly by small grants outright, but more by loans without interest to be repaid in four or five years. We have thus helped the Friedens Church, Irvine, the Friedens Church, Walsh, the Hoffnungs Church, Hilda, thus saving them a high rate of interest. The grant to the Buffalo Head Church of $1000.00 has not yet been called for, but we expect building of this church to be begun shortly

In regard to property under our care, we would report as follows; Cordova Hall, Vancouver, is still rented as no reasonable price has yet been offered. The Grandview property is of course in use by our Grandview Church. The Kitsilano Church property is in our name. The Ottawa South Church is still rented. The Ayer's Flat Meeting House corporation of which we own practically all the shares, has not yet been transferred to the Ayer's Cliff Congregational Church, owing to legal delay.

During the year, the Paris Church has closed and transferred their property to this Society. Brandon Church is also making transfer of their church and parsonage property to our Society.

The St. Andrews East Church have sold their property and the proceeds go to the work in West Central Africa. The Lanark Church have sold their manse and divided the proceeds among the various denominational funds. The Eaton Church reverted to the heirs of the original donors of the property and has been sold by them, being now rented to a Methodist Church.

The Kingston First property has been sold to the Masonic Body of Kingston for $25,000.00 of which half will go back to work in Kingston, $5,000.00 to an addition to the Sunday School equipment of the federation of First Church and Chalmers Presbyterian and $7,500.00 to extension or new building of Calvary Church. The balance comes mainly to our Society with smaller amounts to the College, the Union and the Provident Fund.

The Zion, Montreal, Jubilee Fund lien has been repaid to us, and the balance of the proceeds of sale voted to the Montreal Congregational Church Building Fund Society for additions to the equipment of the Montreal work.

We have pleasure in reporting also the gift of four lots in Kildonan, in the Winnipeg district, to this Society by Rev. E. D. Silcox, who thus celebrates his fiftieth anniversary in the pastorate, a pastorate begun in a church aided by the Home Missionary Society. Our thanks and congratulations to the donor.

THE GEORGE ROBERTSON EVANGELISTIC FUND

It will be remembered that while this fund has been used largely by the Executive for the support of evangelistic meetings and at different periods for the support of evangelists, it is entirely at the disposal of the Society and not bound by any terms of trust.

During the last year we have paid an overdraft on the fund for Dr. Day's salary. We have also paid the denominational grants for the Religious Education Council, the Missionary Education Movement and the Social Service Council of Canada, contributing in this way to religious educational work for our young people and relieving to this extent the general funds. We have also made use of this fund to provide certain helpful leaflets, some of which have been already distributed among our churches and others will be shortly sent out.

We would remind the churches that we stand ready to assist them in making arrangements for evangelistic services at any time and that no church need hold back from such services for lack of financial assistance.

THE JUBILEE LOAN FUND

This Fund of $1000.00 for loan to our churches without interest, to be repaid in annual instalments is at present in use as will be reported by our treasurer.

THE JUBILEE LIEN FUND

Of the balance reported in this fund, consisting of repayment of Jubilee liens on the sale of churches, $8,600.00 has since been reinvested in the purchase of the new Western Church building at the corner of Lippincott and College Sts., Toronto. For the balance certain plans are in mind.

AUGMENTATION FUND

We have again had pleasure in administering this fund which has meant so much for the relief of our ministers and for better work in our Churches. Administration this year has been on the scale of a minimum salary of $1,400.00 and a house in regular fields for ordained married men, and we recommend that this scale be continued throughout the coming year. It is estimated that this fund may fall some $2,000.00 short of the $50,000.00 originally asked from our churches in the Forward Movement owing to shrinkage in that fund, but your Executive hope to be able to continue payments at the present rates for two years more thus covering the five years originally planned.

LITERATURE

Owing to the removal of our Educational Secretary to the United States, the Home Missionary leaflet and the Sunday School programme for Home Missionary Sunday, with the usual envelopes and letters were sent out from the Central Office. A great deal of time and thought went into them. and it is a great pity that all of our churches do not make the best possible use of them. From those who do come returns of interest, financial support and a growingly intelligent group of workers.

The Home Missionary number contained many items of interest and several of the "Pioneer Yarns" giving vivid glimpses of early days in the life of our churches in Canada, have been printed in the Congregationalist.

The joint series of text books on Immigration have been produced during the year and may be obtained from the Congregational Office.

The set includes "Building the Nation," by Professor Smith, the book for adults; "Heroes of Our Homelands," by Dr. Hayward, the book for boys and girls; also "New Chums for Young Canadians", by Mrs. Palmer Burgess, a book for Mission Bands and Juniors.

SYMPATHY

We regret to report the death during the year of Rev. Thomas Hall, a former Superintendent of this Society and a man beloved for his own and his work's sake. We have expressed on your behalf our sympathy with his family.

THANKS

We would again express our thanks to The Canada Congregational Woman's Board for their generous contribution to home missionary work in their financial giving, their thoughtful personal gifts to the mission fields and workers and for their continued interest and prayer.

We would thank also that valued old friend, The Colonial Missionary Society, whose representative, the Rev. J. W. G. Ward, we are glad to welcome. Mr. Ward will speak for us on Thursday evening.

To assist our Foreign Missinary Society, we are transferring speakers, and our second speaker will be Rev. Donald MacLeod, the pastor of the Union Church of Ste. Anne de Bellevue, whom we will be glad to welcome as he speaks to us on Friday evening of his interesting and prophetic work of "Serving Three Denominations at once."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. Gunn, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT—1922-23

In presenting the Annual Report of the Immigration Department, we record another year of faithful service gladly rendered by our Chaplain at the Port. Although in the statistical report it will be seen that the number arriving last year was very small as compared with pre-war figures, yet the service rendered by Dr. Farquharson was of untold value. Of the newcomers, it might be written; We pass this way but once: any good therefore that you can do for us, any service you can render, any token of friendship you can bestow, kindly show them now, for we shall not pass this way again. Our Chaplain is one who heartily appreciates this fact and gives himself without reserve to lending a helping hand, offering good counsel and speaking kindly words just when they are most needed and therefore most welcome.

A quotation from Dr. Farquharson's report will set forth in his own way the service at the gateway of the country:—

"During last year in Quebec, there was a falling away of immigration of 26% as compared with the previous year, according to the official report of the government. Since April of this year, however, there has been a considerable increase in the number coming. Whether that increase will be maintained throughout the year remains to be seen. The chief sources of immigrants are the British Isles, the United States and the Continent of Europe. During the Quebec season of navigation in 1922, these supplied in round numbers, 27,000, 18,000 and 11,000 respectively. Of those coming from the British Isles, about 80% are Protestant, a little over half of whom report themselves as Anglican, the remainder being distributed among the Churches which I represent, the larger number being Presbyterians, while the others range in this order, Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalists. The number of Congregationalists was 561.

As to their destination, about two thirds of the whole seek homes east of the Great Lakes, the chief distributing centre being Toronto. A considerable number go to Montreal, but places east of that city receive but few.

The system of Conductresses provided by shipping companies on their vessels and by the Canadian Government on trains is proving a success and gives much needed protection for unaccompanied women seeking homes in this country.

During the last year, my correspondence with the Old Country has considerably increased, owing to publication being given in their papers to our mission here. The enquiries are varied. Most of them are requests to meet people who are arriving, but other enquiries are sent for information. One man wants to know what opening their would be for him—a man 50 years of age, a store keeper, handy with shop tools, a total abstainer, and possessed of a good knowledge of all classes of poultry and dogs. Another has a wife, two boys, and £1000, and wants to know whether a good investment could be made in the vicinity of Sherbrooke.

From the West come notes of the difficulties experienced. One correspondent tells of being very lonely in a place where they are four miles from a post office with mail only twice a week. Another tells me that they have not yet been to church, but that the children have been kindly received by the Salvation Army, that is in one of the cities of British Columbia. A poor old man, who has been a curer of fish, passed here a couple of weeks ago, looking for work and expecting it on the Pacific Coast, but on a sadder quest he goes, in the search for his favorite daughter. She had been his pride and he had given her a university education at Aberdeen—he had a picture of her in her graduating dress and she looks like an attractive

girl. She had received an appointment as a teacher out west, made a foolish marriage and dropped out of correspondence entirely. His journey is a pilgrimage to recover his wandering child. Such are the kinds of cases and problems presented. You will understand the feeling we have, that we accomplish much less than we desire. At the same time the work is far too important to be left undone."

The figures for the month of April referred to by Dr. Farquharson are as follows:

Total Immigration, 9,500—44% higher than April of last year.

British Immigration number 4,671, in comparison with 2,048 last April.

While from the United States came 2,140, compared with 3,268 last April.

I should like to add a few words in a more general way upon this subject.

Immigration is still a magic word upon the lips of politicians. More editorials are being written upon this subject than upon any other single theme, at least in the big transportation centres, for immigration is hailed as the panacea for all our national ills.

If the railways need passengers and freight, immigration will meet the need.

If trade is slack, open the port doors, immigration will bring a revival of trade.

If help is difficult to secure, bring in immigrants, they will do our work for us.

I am not sure that all this propaganda is carried on with a single eye for the good of the country alone, nor does the welfare of the poor immigrant figure very largely. The main thought in relation to the newcomer seems to be exploitation, let us use the immigrant to enrich ourselves.

We need to press for a new ethical note in all this propaganda. We need immigrants, and thousands of people in other lands need what our country has to offer, but they should be told the truth of conditions here before they leave their home lands. Canada has enough good points to tell of, her opportunities are big enough, without misrepresenting her in the eyes of those desiring to come, and no agent has the right to picture a land flowing with milk and honey or to visualize a "golden West" without telling of the difficulties and the necessity of hard, persistent toil.

Moreover, we must stress the point that immigration, the bringing of the newcomers into the country, is only one side of this important question. Another very vital point is the care of the people when they are actually here. The statement has been made that we have lost more people during the last twenty years by emigration than we have gained by immigration. This is a most serious situation, and should be carefully and courageously faced by our Governments and by every organization that has the welfare of the people at heart. A little less boost abroad and a little more care at home would be a sane and safe policy to pursue, and in the end of the day would make far more effective service and lasting good to our country.

Meanwhile, as a denomination, let us continue, not only through our Port Chaplain, but also through every one of our local Churches to show that warm spirit of Christian friendship which is the fulfillment of the Master's desire and the expression of the spirit, knowing that in dealing kindly with the strangers in our midst, we are rendering our service to the Master himself, for He has said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Respectfully submitted,

T. W. JONES.

C. C. M. S. TREASURER'S REPORT

We commenced the year with a balance of $926.97 in the General Fund. The contributions from the churches, I am sorry to say, have dropped to $6,615.00—$800.00 below last year's and $2,000.00 below those of the year before. Our churches have always furnished the major part of our receipts, and this should be so for the work is the work of the churches, and the responsibility must be theirs. This year, however, it has been necessary to bring up sundry revenues in every possible way in order to meet increased expenditure, and these have reached $8,866.00, but this total contains some exceptional amounts which cannot be reckoned on in other years. Fortunately our interest returns have reached a higher amount than ever before, namely $2,298.00—$458.00 greater than that of last year and more than $2,000.00 greater than the amount of two years ago.

Coming to expenditure, we find that the grants this year were $9,377.00 —nearly $3,000.00 less than before. This, however, is not necessarily a healthy sign. It is partly accounted for by the fact that certain churches which formerly received missionary aid have either been closed or are pastorless. The receipts from the churches should at least provide for the grants to the churches, but this year they were $2,760.00 short of doing so.

For the first time the expense of the central office and the General Treasurer's salary have been thrown entirely upon the Societies, our share being $3,000.00. The other expenditures are about as usual, and we close the year with $231.00 on hand. The General Fund has received two legacies of $5,000.00 each, from the late Mr. A. S. Hurd, of Sherbrooke, and from the late Mrs. W. J. Stibbs of Toronto. These have gone into capital account, which now stands at $25,500.00.

Passing now to the Church Extension and Building Fund, we started out with a balance of $1,866.00. This has been added to by interest on investments, $3,423.00 and Milton fire insurance loan returned, $92.00. A number of grants and loans have been made as will be seen and we have now a balance of $1,275.00. It should be explained that about $23,000.00 of our capital in this account is non-productive and will be so until certain properties are sold.

The next account is the Shurtleff Fund. The balance from last year, and interest on investments, made $3,272.00 available. This has been expended as stated and the balance of $626.00 transferred to the Ayer's Cliff and District account, which is still slightly overdrawn by reason of the augumentation grants being charged against the Shurtleff revenue.

The Robertson Fund shows a small cash balance brought from the year before which, added to the investment returns, makes $846.00 on the credit side. Out of this we have paid the balance of Dr. Day's budget of the previous year, $423.00, and grants to inter-church organizations, and we have a balance of $153.00.

The New Work account commenced the year with $3,650.00 to which are added a couple of unusual items—gifts toward horse, and pony sold—together with collections of $303.00 taken on student fields last summer: $3,818.00 from the Forward Movement and $208.00 interest on investments, making $8,021.00 in all. Against this we have spent for ponies, harness and other equipment, $166.00; students' expenses on the field last summer, $1,035.00; share of Rev. A. L. Richards' expenses in connection with new work, $537.00, leaving $6,254.00 on hand.

The Augmentation Fund had $17,659.00 at the commencement of the year. $8,782.00 was received from the Forward Movement, $709.00 interest

on investments, and $125.00 grant returned, making a total of $27,276.00. The quarterly grants have been as stated, the total being $10,543.00. It is reckoned that this Fund will run about two years more.

Zion Trust had $185.00 at the commencement of the year and $5,385.00 interest has been added. $1,057.00 has been paid to Birchcliff and there is still $4,244.00 on hand. The capital account remains intact at $86,246.00.

Kitchener Trust has a capital of $1,400.00, and the income each year is, under the terms of the Trust, handed over to the Kitchener Woman's Missionary Society.

The Jubilee Fund belongs to the Union. The balance of $13,104.00 has been increased by $643.00 interest. This total from last year included the Western Church, Toronto money, $1,200.00 of which was used to reimburse the General Fund for the amount paid out in grants during the previous year, and the balance of $8,600.00 has, since the closing of the books, been repaid to the Western Church, to be used in the purchase of their new property.

Then follows a statement of our capital funds, which now total slightly over a quarter of a million dollars. The increase of $10,000.00 in the General Fund is made up of the two $5,000.00 legacies already referred to, and the small increase in the Shurtless Fund is the balance of an insurance policy on the life of an old French gentleman, Decelles, who recently died in St. John's, Quebec. It seems that some years ago a loss was made by the Society in an investment. This insurance policy was bought by auction at the Sheriff's sale. For nearly twenty years the Society has been paying $18.94 a year premium. A few months ago the insured died. Our title to the policy has always been open to question, but we have been able to establish our legal rights and this $208.00 is the balance coming back to the Shurtleff Fund after re-imbursing ourselves for the amount paid out annually together with interest.

We have had difficulty during the past few years in collecting interest on certain Saskatchewan and Alberta school and telephone bonds which have been held for many years. Communication with the Provincial Governments resulted in most of the payments being made, but not without a great trial of patience and much forbearance. Fortunately some of the School bonds matured and we are therefore clear of them, and the two Telephone bonds we sold at a slight loss.

In view of the unfavorable decision of the Court in connection with the Kelly Trust of Chebogue, the loan of $210.00 made by us last year has been charged to grants. We had hoped that the Trust money would be available out of which to pay this loan.

Last summer there was a small fire at Cordova Hall, Vancouver, which is owned by the Society. We were covered by insurance but in making repairs it was considered expedient for the saftey of the building to expend a further amount of $350.00.

In addition to the interest reported in each account there has been a profit of $2,326.00 through our bond transactions. This amount is being held undistributed.

A word or two in summing up. We find that as a rule the smaller churches, and also a few of the larger churches have given nobly. Most of the larger ones, however, have fallen down badly, and, had it not been for increase in interest returns and for special amounts, we would have been very much behind. Four churches alone, out of an apportionment of $3,600.00, gave ony $1,061.00.

The receipts from the churches are an index of the seriousness with which they are taking up the work which the Master has committed to us. Our own spiritual health and strength depend upon the extent to which we give ourselves and our means in service. Our failure means a loss of blessing to our own souls.

We expect to receive before the end of the current year a legacy of $2,500.00 from the estate of the late Hugh W. Kennedy of Winnipeg.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. BARKER,
Treasurer.

GENERAL MISSION FUND

(Revenue Account)

RECEIPTS

Balance from previous year		$926 97
Contributions:—		
British Columbia	$ 274 94	
Alberta and Saskatchewan	269 75	
Manitoba	50 00	
Ontario—Western Association	2,055 53	
Central Association	876 90	
Eastern Association	839 71	
Quebec	1,906 16	
Maritime Provinces	342 95	
		6,615 94
Sundry Revenues:—		
C. C. W. B. M.	$1,500 00	
Colonial Missionary Society	952 35	
Personal Gifts	255 00	
Collection at Union	17 44	
Interest, etc	2,298 39	
Western Church Grants Returned	1,200 00	
From Shurtleff Fund	1,148 09	
From Gorham Estate	1,494 77	
		8,866 04
		$16,408 95

EXPENDITURE

Regular Grants to Churches:—		
British Columbia	$1,008 33	
Alberta and Saskatchewan	2,843 35	
Manitoba	187 50	
Central Association	500 00	
Eastern Association	333 33	
Quebec	1,384 22	
Maritime Provinces	1,709 15	
		9,377 28

Immigration Grant	347 03
Union Guarantee	2,400 00
Share Office Expenses (including Gen. Treasurer's Salary)	3,000 00
Share Printing and Other General Expenses	764 46
Travelling (Maritime Representative)	94 50
Travelling Grants	194 20
Balance	231 48
	$16,408 95

CHURCH EXTENSION AND BUILDING FUND

(Revenue Account)

RECEIPTS

Balance from previous year	$1,866 19
Interest on investments	3,423 42
Milton Fire Jusurance Loan returned	92 65
	$5,382 26

EXPENDITURE

Grant account Calgary mortgage	$ 250 00
Grant to Union Church, Montreal	25 00
Grant to Frieden's Church, Irvine, Sask.	200 00
Grant to Vancouver First Church (interest)	1,440 00
Loan to Frieden's Church, Walsh	750 00
Loan to Frieden's Church, Irvine	800 00
Loan to Hoffmung's Church, Hilda	300 00
Share General Administration Expenses	341 43
Balance on hand	1,275 83
	$5,382 26

SHURTLEFF MISSION FUND

(Revenue Account)

RECEIPTS

Balance from previous year	$ 719 87
Interest on investments	2,552 26
	$3,272 13

EXPENDITURE

Ayer's Cliff and District grants	$1,223 10
Paid for shares Ayer's Flat meeting house	18 50
Share of income due General Mission Fund (Revenue Acct.)	1,148 09
Share General Administration expenses	256 07
Balance transferred to Ayer's Cliff and District Account	626 37
	$3,272 13

GEORGE ROBERTSON FUND

(Revenue Account)

RECEIPTS

Balance from previous year	$ 89 75
Interest on investments	756 66
	$846 41

EXPENDITURE

Balance Dr. Day's budget	$423 75
Grants—Missionary Education Movement, Soc. Serv. Council, etc.	175 00
Pamphlets	9 20
Share General Administration expenses	85 36
Balance on hand	153 10
	$846 41

NEW WORK ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance from previous year	$3,650 09
Gifts toward horse	11 23
Pony sold	35 00
Collections	303 15
From Forward Movement	3,818 79
Investment interest	208 69
	$8,021 95

EXPENDITURE

Equipment (ponies, stable, harness, etc.)	166 90
Students' expenses on new field (salaries, travelling, etc.)	1,035 60
Sunday School supplies	28 03
Share Mr. Richards' salary, etc., Cando. (Balance borne by General Mission Fund)	537 42
Balance on hand	6,254 00
	$8,021 95

AUGMENTATION FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance from previous year	$17,659 75
From Forward Movement	8,782 37
Interest on investments	709 62
Grant returned	125 00
	$27,276 74

EXPENDITURE

Quarterly Grants:—		
April-June	$2,468 36	
June-September	2,739 39	
October-December	2,647 37	
January-March	2,688 17	
		$10,543 29
Balance on hand		16,733 45
		$27,276 74

ZION TRUST, TORONTO

(Revenue Account)

RECEIPTS

Balance carried forward	$ 185 53
Interest on investments	5,385 87
	$5,571 40

EXPENDITURE

Grants to Birchcliff on salary	$1,000 00
Grants to Birchcliff, mortgage costs	57 15
Share General Administration expenses	269 30
Balance on hand	4,244 95
	$5,571 40

KITCHENER TRUST

(Revenue Account)

RECEIPTS

Interest and profit on investments	$119 49

EXPENDITURE

Paid to Kitchener Woman's Missionary Society	119 49

JUBILEE FUND

(Held in trust for the Union)

RECEIPTS

Balance carried forward	$13,104 08
Interest Westmount Church	22 50
Interest on investments	621 32
	$13,747 90

EXPENDITURE

Western Church grants repaid to General Mission Fund	$ 1,200 00
Balance on hand	12,547 90
	$13,747 90

STATEMENT OF CAPITAL FUNDS
CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

	Amount Ap. 30/22.	Addition during year	Present Amount
General Mission Fund	$ 15,500 00	$ 10,000 00	$ 25,500 00
Church Extension and Building Fund	75,771 27		75,771 27
Shurtleff Fund	46,333 76	208 34	46,542 10
Robertson Fund	15,000 00		15,000 00
Kitchener Trust	1,400 00		1,400 00
Zion (Toronto) Trust	86,246 73		86,246 73
	$240,251 76	$ 10,208 34	$250,460 10

We have audited the books, vouchers and accounts of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society for twelve months ended April 30th, 1923, and certify that the foregoing statements are in accordance therewith. We have also checked the securities and find they agree with the books.

(Signed) OSCAR HUDSON & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

MEMORANDUM OF BONDS AND STOCKS HELD BY SOCIETY
(Entered at Book Value)

Mortgages (19)	$127,373 17	
Bonds:—		
Alberta Guarantee, Dixon Drainage District	6,429 00	
Alberta Guarantee, Holden Drainage District	8,572 00	
Bloomington, Decatur and Champaign Ry	8,500 00	
British Columbia Guarantee, C.N.P.	6,466 34	
Carleton County	1,090 40	
Dominion War	500 00	
Dominion Guarantee, G.T.R.	24,468 00	
Greater Winnipeg Water District	9,633 33	
Kitchener	4,140 00	
Manitoba Guarantee, Selkirk	18,190 00	
Montreal Protestant School	19,260 00	
Neebing Township	4,204 77	
Ontario Guarantee, Hydro Elec. Power Com.	9,787 80	
Point Claire	934 00	
Port Arthur	863 83	
St. Catharines	907 80	
Sault Ste. Marie	5,000 00	
Stratford	954 90	
Sudbury	4,216 00	
Windsor, Ontario	2,181 27	
Stocks:—Laurentide Paper and Pulp Co	1,000 00	
Properties:—		
(including Vancouver, Ottawa, Paris, etc.)	49,450 00	
		$313,122 61

H. W. BARKER,
Treasurer,

RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES

ONTARIO (CENTRAL)

Barrie	$ 25 00
Churchill	5 00
Cobourg	97 50
Dalston	2 25
Edgar	27 00
Humber Summit	10 37
Pine Grove	10 00
Rugby	25 00
Toronto—Birchcliff—Ch. $40.00 : C. E. $5.85 S. S. $7.14	52 99
Toronto—Broadview	125 45
Bond St. S.S.	20 00
N. Rosedale	260 00
Olivet Ch. $200.00 : S.S. $16.34	216 34
	$876 90

ONTARIO (WESTERN)

Bloomingdale	$51 45
Brantford—Ch. $261.68 S.S. $41.50	303 18
Burford	41 25
Bethel (Gains Cir.)	11 00
Diltz Road, Ch. $5.00 S.S. $1.00	6 00
Elcho	23 85
Embro	49 75
Forest—Central—Ch. $42.28 : S.S. $12.72	55 00
Forest—Plympton	32 75
Freeport—Ch. $8.50 : S.S. $8.83	17 33
Frome	30 02
Garafraxa—Ch. $10.00 : S.S. $2.00	12 00
Guelph—Ch. $111.85 ; S.S. $38.40	150 25
Hamilton—First—Ch. $662.93 : S.S. $37.07	700 00
Hamilton—Imm.—S. S.	33 40
Listowel	31 00
London, First—Ch. $55.53 : S.S. $24.00	79 53
London—Southern	43 00
Lowbanks—Ch. $17.25 : S.S. $6.00	23 25
Mount Carmel	25 00
Paris	24 23
Scotland—Ch. $41.00 : S.S. $12.29	53 29
Stratford	50 00
Sherkston	40 00
Speedside	20 00
Tilbury	10 00
Watford—Ch. $40.00 : S.S. $16.00	56 00
West Montrose	25 00
Zion (Zion Cir.) Ch. $35.00 : S.S. $23.00	58 00
	$2,055 53

ONTARIO (EASTERN)

Hopetown	11 50
Kingston—Bethel—S.S. $28.84 : C.E. $12.00	40 84
First	50 00
Calvary, S.S. $17.66 : Y.P.G. $2.50	20 16
Lanark	200 00
Maxville	128 75
Middleville	37 80
Ottawa—First	250 00
Welcome—Zion—Ch. $30.00 : S.S. 52.00	82 00
Rosetta	18 66
	$839 71

QUEBEC

Ayer's Cliff—Ch. $31.89 : S.S. $5.75	$ 37 64
Boynton	4 11
Brown's Hill	3 25
Brigham—Ch. $13.50 : S.S. $2.75	16 25
Cowansville—Ch. $100.00 : S.S. $6.00	106 00
Danville	20 00
Fitch Bay	43 00
Granby	313 78
Melbourne—S.S.	5 00
Montreal—Am. Pk.	20 00
Calvary	315 18
Crystal Spgs.	30 00
Emmanuel—Ch. $769.25 : S.S. $31.79	801 04
Pt. St. Chas.	62 32
Rock Island	50 00
St. Anne de Bellevue	66 94
Waterville—Ch. $7.28 : S.S. $4.37	11 65
	$1,906 16

N. S. & N. B.

Baker's Settlement	$1 27
Beach Meadows	5 00
Brooklyn	45 00
Chebogue	13 50
Economy	41 04
Hemford	9 55
Keswick Ridge—Ch. $27.00: S.S. $5.00: C.E. $2.00	34 00
Liverpool	25 00
Margaree	30 00
Noel	31 00
Pleasant River	18 52
Scotch Lake	10 50
Sheffield—Ch. $37.00: C.E. $30.00	67 00
Union	11 57
	$342 95

WESTERN PROVINCES

Beiseker	$35 00
Calgary—First	30 00
Russo-German	15 00
Balmoral	10 00
Castor—Hopefield	5 00
Chellwood	6 00
Gros Ventre—Zoar	6 75
Hanna	23 50
Highland Park	10 00
Irvine—Peace	14 75
Pilgrim	3 75
Leader	17 00
Mayton—Salem	47 50
Russo-German Conference	15 00
Vancouver—Granview	15 00
First	127 25
Kilsilano—Ch. $20.61: S.S. $2.95	23 56
Victoria	109 13
Three Hills	20 50
Walsh—Peace	10 00
Winnipeg—Crescent	50 00
	$594 69

PERSONAL

Rev. J. Mager	$5 00
A Friend	150 00
J. M. Dods, Orangeville	100 00
	$255 00

THE LATE MISS DIADEM BELL, OF MILTON. N. S.

For over twenty years Congregational Missionary at Chisamba, West Africa. Died in Cobourg Ont., June 30th, 1923.

THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OFFICERS 1923-1924

Hon. President—Rev. E. Munson Hill, D.D.
President—Rev. E. C. Woodley, M.A., Montreal.
First Vice-President—Rev. D. L. Ritchie, D.D., Montreal.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. C. McD. Hay, Toronto.
Secretary—Geo. A. Moore, 359 Querbes Ave., Outremont, Que.
Treasurer—H. W. Barker, Room 137, Confederation Life Bldg., Toronto.
Educational Secretary—Rev. W. H. Thomas, Ayer's Cliff, Quebec.
Superintendent of Prayer Union—Mrs. J. T. Daley, Port Hope, Ont.

Directors—The Officers, together with Revs. Dr. W. T. Gunn, Dr. W. H. Warriner, Dr. J. T. Daley, H. D. Whitmore, A. F. Pollock, E. J. Thompson, G. H. Craik, I. W. Pierce, Frank Sanders, W. G. Martin, Judge Leet, and Messrs. Arthur Birks, Lorne Johnston, J. G. Fuller, John Murray, Mrs. Thos. H. Hill, Mrs. J. Leslie, Miss E. A. Jamieson, Mrs. W. G. Martin, Chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada.

Executive Committee—The Officers, together with Revs. Dr. E. M. Hill, Dr. W. T. Gunn, Dr. W. H. Warriner, A. F. Pollock, I. W. Pierce, Judge Leet, Arthur Birks, Mrs. J. Leslie, Miss E. A. Jamieson, Chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada.

CONSTITUTION

I.—NAME

This Corporation shall be called The Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society.

II.—OBJECT

The object of this Society shall be to spread the knowledge of the Gospel among the heathen and other unenlightened people.

III.—MEMBERSHIP

The members of this Society shall be persons subscribing $2 annually, ministers of all contributing churches, one other representative from each church contributing $10 annually, and two representatives from each church contributing $50, or over, annually, and each year the delegates appointed from any church to the Congregational Union of Canada shall be delegates to this Society, provided that church be entitled to be so represented. Every benefactor making a donation of $40 at one time shall be a life member.

IV.—OFFICERS

The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and Board of Directors, to be elected at the annual meeting of the Society.

V.—MEETINGS

An annual meeting of the Society shall be held on the Thursday following the first Sunday in June, at the place where the Congregational Union of Canada assembles.

VI.—AMENDMENTS

This Constitution can be amended by vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting of the Society, notice of the proposed alteration having been given in two successive numbers of the Canadian Independent (now Canadian Congregationalist).

BY-LAWS

I.—FUNDS

All funds arising from donations, legacies, subscriptions, or otherwise, shall be lodged by the Treasurer, as soon as collected, with some chartered bank, to be named by the Executive Committee. Money can be drawn from such accounts only by cheques, signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer, or any two of them, or by one of these Officers and one member of the Executive Committee specially appointed for this purpose.

II.—MANAGEMENT

The Board of Directors shall consist of not more than twenty-five members of the Society, including the officers, and the Chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada, ex-officio, and shall be elected at the annual meeting. They shall have full charge and power for the administration of the affairs of the Society. Immediately after their election they shall appoint an Executive Committee, and such other committees as they shall deem expedient for the interests of the Society. The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Directors between the meetings of that Board, and shall consist of the President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Superintendents of Departments, the Chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada, ex-officio, and not more than twelve other members, together with two members of the Woman's Board, the same to be appointed by that Board, and who are members of this Society.

III.—MEETINGS

The Board of Directors shall meet at least once during the year, immediately before the annual meeting of the Society, at the call of the Secretary, to prepare reports, and a list of officers and committees to be nominated at the annual meeting, as well as to transact any other business connected with the interests of the Society.

IV.—PRESENTATION TO CHURCHES

The work of this Society shall be presented and a Foreign Missionary sermon preached in each of the churches of the constituency at least once in each year. The Executive Committee shall see that news of the Society's work is distributed to the churches.

V.—DONATIONS FOR SPECIAL WORK

When money is donated for missionary work outside the Society's missions, it may be forwarded to societies working in that field.

VI.—AMENDMENT

These by-laws may be altered in the same manner as the Constitution.

FORM FOR A BEQUEST

I give and bequeath to the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society, incorporated by the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, A.D. 1889, the sum of $.....
out of my estate, to be paid..... without any charge or deduction whatever, and I direct that the receipt of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Society shall constitute and be a sufficient discharge thereof.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

MINUTES of the Annual Meeting of the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society, held in the First Congregational Church, Ottawa, on Thursday, June 7th, 1923.

Meeting started at 2.30. P.M.

The President, Rev. E. C. Woodley, M. A., in the Chair.

Mr. Woodley led in prayer.

Owing to the Secretary's absence, the Rev. W. J. D. Gibson was appointed Secretary of the Meeting.

Report of the Prayer Union prepared by Mrs. J. T. Daley, was read by Rev. I. W. Pierce, in her absence. On motion by Rev. I. W. Pierce, seconded by Rev. H. D. Whitmore, this was adopted.

The following Resolution regarding our action in connection with Church Union was read and on motion by Rev. Dr. Warriner, seconded by Rev. A. F. Pollock, was carried:—

"That the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society hereby approves of the Basis of Union adopted by the Congregational Union of Canada, the Methodist Church, Canada, and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, for the union of the three denominations in 'The United Church of Canada."

"That the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society also approves of the draft legislation, Dominion and Provincial, recommended by the Joint Committee on Church Union.

"That the Canada Congegational Foreign Missionary Society hereby authorizes and instructs the Congregational Union of Canada, through a duly appointed Committee, to act for and on behalf of the Canada Cangregational Foreign Missionary Society . . . . . to procure the enactment of the said proposed Acts of the Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada, or such other legislation of the Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the Provinces of Canada and the Legislatures of the colonies and countries outside of Canada having jurisdiction over any of the property of the negotiating churches as such committee may deem necessary or requisite in order to effectuate and consummate the union of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, the Methodist Church, Canada, and the Congregational Churches of Canada in accordance with the provisions of the Basis of Union and the general principles contained in the said proposed Acts, the said Committee to have full power and authority for and on behalf of the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society to consider and deal with any proposals, defined as aforesaid, made by or on behalf of any of the negotiating Churches, or any committee thereof, or otherwise, with respect to the said legislation, to make or concur in any changes or amendments to the said proposed Acts, that they, in their discretion, may deem advisable in order to carry into effect the provisions of the Basis of Union and the general principles contained in the said proposed Acts, and with the representatives of the other negotiating Churches to settle and determine the final form of any such legislation and generally to do all such acts and things as the said committee may deem expedient to procure whatever legislation may, in their opinion, be necessary or requisite to effectuate and consummate the said Union, pursuant to the provisions of the Basis of Union and the principle contained in the said proposed Acts."

The following resolution regarding change in By-Laws was read and adopted on motion by J. G. Fuller, seconded by Rev. H. D. Whitmore:—

"Moved that last sentence in By-Law No. 1 "Funds" reading:

"Money can be drawn from such accounts only by cheques, signed by the Secretary and Treasurer, but the President or Vice-President may sign for either in their absence."

Be changed to read as:

"Money can be drawn from such accounts only by cheques signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer, or any two of them, or by one of these Officers and one member of the Executive Committee specially appointed for this purpose."

In accordance with requirements of Section VI, "Amendments"' of our Constiution, notice of this change was published in two successive numbers of the Canadian Congregationalist, those dating May 2nd, and May 16th, 1923."

Moved by H. W. Barker and seconded, that Dr. Gunn be appointed to act in accordance with above resolution. Carried.

Mrs. T. B. Williams, presented Greetings from the Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions which was unanimously received with pleasure.

Judge Leet read the following resolution of Greetings to our Missionaries in Africa, which was seconded by Dr. Warriner and Carried.

"Dear fellow members, of the Kingdom and family of our Father in Heaven, in Angola, Africa, we who are here met in Annual Meeting of the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society, in our own names and of the other members of our Canadian Congregational Churches of Canada hereby send most hearty and effectionate greeting to you all. Missionaries of our Canadian Churches, your co-workers in the Mission and to all those who have been redeemed by the blood of Christ and won to Faith in Him by your efforts. We know we cannot realize and appreciate fully your sacrifices for the Kingdom of God, neither can we realize the joy you have and look forward to as the promised reward of those who even lose their lives for His sake.

We are urged to pray for you and those who are brought to the Lord Christ through your efforts and we know many in our Churches are doing so, but we ask that your prayers may go up to the Throne of Grance for us in the Homelands that we may be more and more interested in yourselves and your work, and that we may do more to obtain the promises to 'Him that overcometh.'

Rev. W. H. Thomas read the Educational Secretary's Report which was adopted.

On motion by Rev. H. D. Whitmore, seconded by Rev. T. Sanders, $50.00 was voted for Lantern slides.

The report of the Board of Directors was read by Rev. H. D. Whitmore. This was adopted.

The Treasurer read his annual report. This was received and adopted.

Miss E. A. Jamieson read a report of the work of the Canada Congregational Womans Board of Missions for the past year.

The report of the Nomination Committee was presented and on motion by Rev. F. S. Sanders, seconded by Mr. Smith, was accepted.

This report was as follows:—

Hon.-President	Rev. E. Munson Hill, D.D.
President	Rev. E. C. Woodley
1st Vice-President	Rev. D. L. Ritchie, D.D.
2nd Vive-President	Mrs. C. McD. Hay
Secretary	Geo. A. Moore
Treasurer	H. W. Barker
Educational Superintendent	Rev. W. H. Thomas
Prayer Union Superintendent	Mrs. J. T. Daley

DIRECTORS

The Officers, together with Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D., Rev. W. H. Warriner, D.D., Rev. J. T. Daley, D.D., Rev. H. D. Whitmore, Rev. A. F. Pollock, Rev. E. J. Thompson, Rev. I. W. Pierce, Rev. G. H. Craik, Rev. Frank Sanders, Rev. W. G. Martin, Judge S. P. Leet, Arthur Birks, Mrs. Thomas Hill, Mrs. J. Leslie, Mrs. W. G Martin, Miss E. A. Jamieson, Mr. Lorne Johnstone, Mr. J. B. Fuller, Mr. John Murray and the Chairman of the Congregational Union.

The Meeting was then addressed by Rev. Ernest W. Riggs, Associate Foreign Secretary of the American Board, who also brought greetings from that Society.

The meeting then adjourned.

GEO. A. MOORE,
Secretary.

Immediately following the Annual Meeting, the President brought the Directors together and the following were appointed the Executive Committee:—

The Officers, together with Reverend's Dr. E. M. Hill, Dr. W. T. Gunn, Dr. W. H. Warriner, A. F. Pollock, I. W. Pierce, Judge Leet, Arthur Birks, Mrs. J. Leslie, Miss E. A. Jamieson, and the Chairman of the Union.

The Meeting then adjourned.

GEO. A. MOORE,
Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
1922-1923

After a full year of working out the new requirements of the Portuguese Government regarding Educational and Mission work in Angola, West Central Africa, it is found that the Mission has solved most of the difficulties, and are now improving conditions rapidly. When the first news of the change came in 1920, consternation reigned, then last year the adjustment began and now we feel that the work is going ahead again on an even keel. Much has yet to be overcome, especially the work at Outstations but this is also being looked after gradually and as each batch of students pass the first examinations in Portuguese, more of these outstation schools will be opened, and then by better qualified teachers than were in charge before. So that better work will be done and good will come out of the situation.

Much has been done by conference and accomplishment at the Stations to show the High Commissioner and other authorities that we are willing to co-operate with them in carrying out the law of the land. There has been three interviews during the last six months with the High Commissioner by the Mission representatives and in each case they have been cordially received. The Bible and Religious subjects are permitted in the vernacular when printed in parallel column with Portuguese, a Hymn book in the vernacular with Portuguese Hymns different from these, bound in the same cover has been issued and an understanding has been arrived at as to methods of evangelization. The Missionaries have inspired confidence in the authorities of their integrity and the High Commissioner has stated that he is pleased with the spirit shown at the Missions. On Sept. 26th, he visited the Dondi Station, being accompanied by his daughter and other

distinguished Officials. After inspecting the plant and seeing it in operation and also listening to addresses in Portuguese, one of which was by a native, he left after having expressed his delight and satisfaction at what he had seen and heard. We, therefore, feel sure that our Missionaries have acted wisely and that the good relations now existing will be beneficial of great good to our work.

Reports to hand tell of the success of another 64 pupils in the first grade examinations in Portuguese, three with honors. At this rate we will soon be able to open all the closed outstation schools, and this part of our work will again be in full swing.

We regret to report the death of our former President, Geo. E. Williams, Mr. Williams passed away last Nov. 19th, after a long illness. He was a lifelong student of Mission work and his last words were relative to the work in Africa. We greatly deplore his loss and put on record our great appreciation of his work for our Society.

During the year, we had the pleasure of conferring with Rev. W. C. Bell, from Currie Institute, who was home on furlough and gained much help from the information he was able to give us regarding the working details at Dondi.

Doctor Fred Stokey was accepted as a Doctor for Dondi and has spent about nine months in Portugal studying the language and preparing to qualify for a medical certificate. When this has been secured Doctor Stokey will begin his work at the Currie Institute and fill a great need at this station.

Mr. Kenneth Prior, candidate for Agricultural Missionary at Currie Institute has now passed his second year at an Agricultural College and is constantly preparing himself for this needful work in Africa. The Agriculturist will help the native grow sufficient food to maintain himself and permit of export, opening up a lucrative livelihood and make him a self-supporting and self-respecting Christian. He will learn of the natural resources of his country and build up the trade of his own land.

Major Swaddling and Mrs. Swaddling who were helping at Currie Institute have resigned their positions. Major Swaddling found the work in Africa harder than he could stand. He gave full time labor to fatiguing work in Africa and Mrs. Swaddling successfully handled the medical work during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Bell.

The Phelps Stokes Commission which studied the Mission fields in Africa, have issued their report and have given very valuable suggestions for the furtherance and betterment of work amongst the Africans. They also speak well of our work in Angola.

CHISAMBA

At Chisamba, regular work has been carried on during the year. Mr. Steed has visited the oustations and neighboring country and has strengthened our work, especially along Evangelistic lines. A successful week of Prayer was enjoyed and much good was reported.

Doctor Hall has been building new medical buildings on a new approved site. These include four buildings, one a Medical ward, one a Surgical ward, a Store and Office building, and a Waiting Room. The old buildings were badly located and had fallen into bad repair. Also a fire visited the station and some of the old buildings were destroyed. Doctor Hall is fulfilling tasks similar to what Jesus did, he is healing the sick and relieving their pain.

Sehnor Raposa is teaching the Portuguese language to all who are able to take it.

Thirteen boys have secured licenses to teach and 40 outstations are open for Prayer and preaching.

The Church Services, Sunday School and Young Peoples Meetings are all successful. The Sunday School had an average attendance of 315.

The school work in charge of the ladies of the C.C.W.B.M. have contined their work in the Educational Department and a special report will be given regarding their work.

There is a great need at Chisamba for an Industrial Missionary and we would be glad to hear of a likely candidate.

CAMUNDONGO

At a recent meeting of this station, Dr. Sanders, the Veteran Missionary was elected President and the Rev. Jas. E. Lloyd, the Secretary.

Doctor Hollenbeck, has returned to his post and with our Woman's Board Missionaries, this station is fairly well manned. A great need now exists for proper buildings and equipment to successfully pursue the work at this station. There is also a need for an Agricultural Missionary. As we have agreed with the American Board to progressively take over this station, it is our task to do this work and we appeal for special gifts for capital charges at this place.

Mr. Lloyd has passed his first examination and is taking charge of the Boys Boarding School.

Evangelstic work has been carried on by Dr. Sanders and Mr. Lloyd, and gratifying results have been reported.

The Station, at a meeting held relative to the present location, has decided not to move but to remain where they now are. A programme for new buildings has been outlined and we wiil have to try and help them make progress in this.

Six outstation schools have been re-opened and others will be undertaken as soon as the boys qualify in their Portuguese studies.

CURRIE INSTITUTE

The Currie Institute opened their session again with an overflowing number of pupils. There were 170 students and 230 to 250 boys at the preparatory school. This large number greatly taxed the staff in housing and feeding them and although the school fees had been increased the boys came in increasing numbers.

The Industrial work has been going on continuously and the new Trades Building has been finished and the machinery is now being installed.

Miss Rawlings, who went out as a self-supporting voluntary worker, has given her time to acting as Matron to the Boys Boarding School. She has earned the love and deep gratitude of the bays who have called her Maikulu—the old grandmother.

Mr. Tucker has rendered great service during the year as Principal of the Currie Institute, and particularly in his capacity as Mission Representative to the High Commissioner. It has been largely due to his untiring efforts that there exists such good relationships between the Mission and the Government.

We also had the pleasure of greeting Mrs. Tucker and again offer to her and Mr. Tucker our very best wishes for every success in their married life.

Again we must record the help and inspiration that we get from our close co-operation with the Officers of the Canada Congregational Woman's Board Missionaries, and also the officials of the American Board. All these good friends enable us to do a bigger and better work than we could possibly do by ourselves.

GEO. A. MOORE,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE PRAYER UNION DEPARTMENT

In presenting the report of this Department, we would like to keep the thought before us that the reason given for the organization of a Prayer Union, was "to develop the spirit of Prayer and assure its continued offering." Therefore, if your Superintendent does not bring before you an array of facts and figures, such as abound in reports of some other Departments, it is because spiritual results cannot be set forth in statistical form. There are, however, some facts and figures which may be given and which assure us that the Prayer Union is to a large extent fulfilling the purpose for which it was organized.

The fact that many Auxiliaries of our Womans Board and all of the Branches with the exception of one have appointed Prayer Union Superintendents and also that nearly one hundred new members have been reported during the past year, is an indication of a growing interest in this Department of our work. It shows also that the number of those who are pledging themselves to pray for our work in Africa, is steadily increasing. Some of the Auxiliaries have expressed their pleasure in having part in the Prayer Union and have succeeded in enrolling as members, a large number of the men and women of their church. Others report that while they have no members of the Prayer Union, they have our Mission work upon their hearts and pray constantly for it. We have reason to believe that the Spirit of Prayer *is* being developed among our people and that the Prayer Union has had a part in bringing it about by keeping the need of it constantly before them.

Your Superintendent has endeavored to set forth, month by month in the "Monthly Leaflet" definite needs of our work and workers, and hopes this has been the means of calling forth united prayer for these objects on the part of our people.

We have also, through the Branch Superintendents and by personal letters sought to bring the interests of this Department before each of our Churches through the Auxiliaries. In this connection over four hundred pledge cards and many leaflets have been distributed during the past year. Just how many of these have been used, we are unable to state, as they have not been reported.

We aim during the coming year to enlist the young people of our churches in this "Prayer Partnership" for we feel that our girls and boys will be greatly helped and blessed in their own lives if they early form the habit of praying for Missions.

In closing, permit me to quote these words of Jeremy Taylor's; "Rely not on a single prayer in matters of great concernment; make it as public as you can by obtaining others to pray with you; this being the great blessing of the Communion of Saints, that a prayer united is strong—like a well-ordered army." The conversion of the people of Angola is a "matter of great concernments" to our Canadian Congregationalists. It is the big task that has been given us to perform. We need men and women, money and equipment to carry on. Only by united continuous prayer and a spirit of willing obedience on the part of all our people can it be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY R. DALEY,
Superintendent.

EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

1922-1923

The Educational activities of the year have run along regular lines. The "Congregationalist" has again splendidly served the Society. Its Editor has, in every issue, and especiallly in the Foreign Misionary number, clearly kept before us our great and growing responsibility and opportunity. Mr. Barker has, in addition, acted as Deputation for the Society, visiting a large number of our Churches with very gratifying and profitable results. Miss Jamieson, through the Leaflet, now in part a medium of the Society, and in visitation, has faithfully disseminated information and quickened interest The Young People owe her special gratitude for the splendid programme which she prepared and which proved so useful, interesting and effective on Foreign Missions Sunday.

Our workers in Angola keep us regularly posted with the latest facts concerning the work, Mr. Moore continues to edit this material for our paper. By arrangement with the Publication Committee, nearly all the remaining copies of "The Story of Chisamba Retold" have now been distributed. Miss Buck, our office stenographer has filled orders for a fair number of missionary books. She has also aided Mr. C. J. Vick, who has charge of the "Slides Department" in circulating these very valuable Educational assets. We have now 12 sets. The American Board has put us under further obligation this year by sendng us free, a set entitled "Japan." Twenty Exhibits have been given in sixteen Churches, the sets on "Progress in West Central Africa" and "Angola, the Country of the King" appearing five times each.

The $50 voted by you has been carefully spent. I confidently ask for a similar sum this year. It may be the Woman's Board, which gave this department a contribution of $50.00 two years ago, will give us some financial aid this year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. HENRY THOMAS,

Educational Secretary

C.C.F.M.S. TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1923.

The printed statement for the year is herewith submitted. We started out with $249.00 on hand but with a debt to the American Board of $1607.00, besides special amounts of nearly $1600.00 more which we have paid this year but which belongs to last year's budget. The church contributions amounted to $8700.00 and the personal gifts, $1,752.00. Two legacies have come to hand—from the late Miss Jane Logan, Embro, $150.00, and from the late Mr. A. S. Hurd, Sherbrooke, $5000.00. We received $423.00 from St. Andrews East from the proceeds of the sale of their church property: the Woman's Board paid $587.00 being Senhora Raposa's salary for the year: interest and exchange have brought in $405.00: sundry amounts $200.00: the Hine and William Freeland Trusts and the Currie Institute Fund have paid $331.00 toward our general expenses, and there is owing to the American Board (which includes missionaries' salaries, etc. only to December 31st last) $5,759.00.

In view of the two Portuguese teachers—both married—and the new doctor recently sent out, our expenses for salaries, travelling, etc., have been heavier than ever before—$11,048.00 plus $658.00 for Senhor Raposa's salary for six months which appears a little further down.

Drugs amounting to $652.00 have been sent out and $500.00 has been transferred from this year's receipts for the Currie Institute expense account, this being the annual gift of Mr. Sam Harris through Broadview Church, Toronto, for this purpose. Then the travelling expenses come to $480.00; printing accounts, $649.00; our share office expenses, $1,600.00; Union Guarantee, $800.00; $1,000.00 has been transferred to Furlough Fund; $250.00 was voted to Dr. Aggrey, and the other items are about as usual. We close the year with $190.00 on hand.

In designated objects we carried forward from last year $1382.00; special contributions amount to $1515.00; income from Trusts, 1407.00; $385.00, $41.00 and $20.00 respectively; and then follow the transfers from other accounts, the total receipts being $7,259.00. From this account remittances have been made to the American Board as set out under expenditure and then the forwarding of other gifts for the special purposes for which they were given. We carry forward in special account $3246.00.

Coming to the Currie Institute account, we started with $1238.00 cash and $19,473.00 in bonds. We received $10,544.00 from the Forward Movement, $1,036.00 in contributions and $1,179.00 interest and bond profit. $18,500.00 has been remitted to the Field, three half yearly payments of salary to Major Swaddling have been made and other small amounts charged, and we have a balance on hand of $12,748.00 all of which is invested.

After the auditor's certificate comes a comparative statement with the previous year. The churches have contributed about $1,100.00 more than they did during the last year for the General Fund, which is encouraging, but still leaves them $3,300.00 short of the apportionment, which represented less than the Society's minimum needs.

The designated receipts are $4,200.00 short of what they were a year ago, but this is accounted for almost entirely by the Russian Famine Fund. $500.00 more than last year came in for the Currie Institute Building Fund, $1,000.00 having been received from the late Mr. W. E. Lyman of Montreal. Since the closing of our books he has forwarded $1,167.00 more, making his total gift $4,167.00.

Ninety-seven churches shared in the giving for the General Fund: twenty-six attained their full apportionment and 22 of those went beyond it. Those that attained their apportionment are divided thus; Maritime, 2; Quebec, none; Ontario Eastern, 4; Ontario Central, 7; Ontario Western, 12; Western Provinces, 1.

The largest amounts for the General Fund were as follows: Montreal Emmanuel, $823.00; Hamilton First, $725.00; Toronto North Rosedale, $715.00; Toronto Broadview, $622.00; Granby, $312.00; Brantford, $303.00; Montreal Calvary, $261.00; Lanark, $250.00; Toronto Olivet, $219.00; Winnipeg Central, $214.00; Winnipeg Crescent, $195.00; Sherbrooke, $174.00; Vancouver First, $171.00; Guelph and Ottawa First, $150.00 each; Cobourg, $146.00; Maxville, $105.00; Victoria, $104.00; Stratford and Toronto Bond St., $100.00. The German churches gave $228.00.

While the giving has been larger than that of the previous year, we are still considerably short of meeting our budget. There has been a necessary increase in our budget without a corresponding increase in our contributions. Our budget last year was chopped off at $15,000.00, although this amount was really below the requirements. The Union Committee, however, did not think it wise to increase the $12,000.00 apportionment.

Increased expenses at home and increased expenses on the Field mean a new scale of giving. We have now seven missionaries, five of whom are married; five years ago we had only three missionaries. The gradual taking over of Camundongo Station and the sending out of a new doctor and two Portuguese teachers, both married, have increased our obligations by several thousand dollars a year. Up to date the two Portuguese teachers have cost for travelling and salary, $4,760.00. Our budget for the coming year will necessitate a large increase in our income. We think that our members this year have given only 72c. each for our general Fund, it will be readily seen that they have not reached the limit. The bulk of this has come from people of moderate means. Why should these smaller givers be left almost entirely to do the work, when the more wealthy stewards and substantial business men do so little comparatively? They are missing a great blessing, yet, after all, money is not the only thing we need, nor is it the most important. Let us beware lest we develop a money-mind rather than a Christ-mind. "Life is more than meat, and the body than raiment." The interest and the prayers of our people is the great thing, and if we have these we need have no concern about the support of the work. The expenditures upon our home churches should be matched by equel amounts for the extension of the Kingdom outside our walls, and this would be so if we were half in earnest. And let me say in all seriousness that if this were so, our churches would have no difficulty in their home finances. As someone has said, if a church is content to merely sit and sing," Hold the fort", it will soon have no fort to hold. It would seem that sacrificial giving has little place among us. Our Lord still stands over against the treasury to behold **how** we give. If we first truly give ourselves unto the Lord there will be no difficulty in deciding the matter of service to others.

Dr. Aggrey's visit last fall was greatly appreciated. He spent fifteen days (including three Sundays) visiting our churches from the Eastern townships to Winnipeg, and speaking some twenty-five times. The collections amounted to $498.00 and his expenses, including an honorarism of $150.00, were $327.00. We were able to get him a half-fare travelling certificate.

The Hurd legacy of $5,000.00, as already stated, came to us this year, but the stipulation is that it is to be invested and the income only used. We have also received word that a legacy of $2,500.00 from the estate of the late Hugh W. Kennedy of Winnipeg will likely be available in a few months. We are thankful for these remembrances.

About $3,900.00 has been voted to the Society by the Kingston First Church from the whole of its property, this to be used for capital expenditure. $2,000.00 has already been set aside for Camundongo buildings and equipment. The former church at St. Andrews East has voted us $2,500.00 more from the sale of their parsonage, the income to be paid to the Society for the next three years and the principal in 1927.

Some interesting gifts for special work have been received this year. The Sunday School and Mission Band of Calvary Church, Montreal, gave $100.00 for a bush car for Mr. Lloyd and another friend in Montreal is paying for a motor-cycle for Chisambe. Some 25 or 30 cots have also been provided for Chisamba Hospital at $20.00 each.

As Deputation Secretary I have visited some twenty-five of our churches. On one occasion the church had already sent in the full amount of its apportionment, but I returned home with another cheque in my pocket as they had decided to double their apportionment. In

another case a lady at whose home I had been staying, told me, as she drove me to the railroad station, that she wanted to give $400.00 to be divided up between Home and Foreign, and I was able to make the division, $250.00 Foreign and $150.00 Home, which amounts have since been paid. There are individuals in our churches here and there who, if approached by their minister, would give larger amounts for the Foreign work. It might be suggested to them that they take care of a certain item in the budget.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. BARKER,
Treasurer.

CANADA CONGREGATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Financial Statement for the year ending April 30th, 1923

GENERAL FUND

RECEIPTS

Balance brought forward		$ 249 60
Contributions:		
Churches (including $498.96 collections, taken at Dr. Aggrey's meetings)	$8,700 48	
Personal	1,752 65	
		10,453 13
Legacy—Miss Jane Logan, Embro		150 00
Legacy—Hurd Estate, Sherbrooke		5,000 00
St. Andrew's East, from Sale of Church property		423 40
From W. B. M. for Senhora Raposa's salary		587 50
Interest and Exchange		405 94
Profit on Bond Sales		63 41
Books sold		2 99
Sundry amounts		197 17
From Hine and Freeland Trusts, and from Currie Institute Fund towards expenses		331 05
American Board Account (including $1,607.14 owing from previous year)	$14,064 52	
Less remittances made by us	8,305 10	
Deficit owing to American Board		5,759 42
		$23,623 61

EXPENDITURE

Mission Expenses (salaries, travelling, etc.) chargeable against General Fund.	11,048 15
Senhor Figueriedo for translation work	90 00
Allowance tuition Tucker children	68 87
Remitted Calvary S.S. Montreal (sent to C.C.F.M.S. in error)	11 54
Drugs (transferred to designated objects)	652 29
Senhor Raposa's salary, July to December, 1922	658 44
Provident Fund permium for missionaries	58 00
Transferred to Currie Institute Expense Account	500 00

Travelling Expenses—		
Executive Committee	$159 79	
Messrs. Aggrey and Bell to Annual Meeting.	143 41	
Dr. Aggrey's tour	177 19	
		480 39
		$13,567 68
Printing Accounts—		
"Congregationalist" grant	200 00	
Special issue "Congregationalist"	110 74	
Year Book Account	88 40	
"Leaflet"	250 00	
		649 14
Office Expenses—		
Secretary	$ 100 00	
General	1,500 00	
		1,600 00
Union Guarantee		800 00
Lantern Slides and Cuts		50 00
Literature and Publicity (S.S. stories, folders, etc.)		115 68
Grants—$6.00, $50.00, $20.00		76 00
Transferred to Furlough Fund		1,000 00
Grants to Dr. Aggrey		250 00
Treasurer's Guarantee		20 00
Postage, Exchange, etc.		151 10
New York Exchange		92 18
Auditor's Fees		25 00
Office Supplies		36 57
Hurd Legacy Invested		5,000 00
Balance on hand		190 26
		$23,623.61

DESIGNATED OBJECTS

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year		$1,382 69
Contributions—		
Boys and Girls	$417 00	
Hospital Cots	100 00	
Dispensary	5 00	
Motorcycle and Bush Car	459 29	
Specials outside our own field	534 36	
		1,515 65
Income from Trust Accounts—		
Hine Fund—Repayment of loan made to capital	656 38	
Interest and Profit	751 40	
		1,407 78
Wm. Freeland Fund—Repay't loan made to capital	52 25	
Interest and Profit	333 59	
		385 84
Leet Memorial—Interest and Profit		41 90
Richardson Memorial—Interest and Profit		20 95
Furlough Fund—from General Fund		1,000 00
Dispensary Fund—from General Fund		652 29
Currie Institute Current expenses from Gen. Fund (Harris gift)		500 00
Currie Institute Current net income from Wm. Freeland Trust		352 49
		$7,259 59

EXPENDITURE

Remitted American Board—		
From Furlough Fund		$631 90
For Bush Car for Mr. Lloyd		100 00
For Dondi Boys		207 65
From Designated Boys' Fund		55 00
From Hind Fund, half Raposa's salary to June 30, 1922	$225 51	
Camundongo Brick Machine	500 00	
		725 51
From Boys' Fund, half Raposa's salary to June 30, 1922	$225 52	
Note Books	44 03	
Camundongo Out-station work	200 00	
		469 55
From Leet Memorial Income		69 40
From Richardson Memorial Income		34 70
Remitted Baby Organ Fund to W. B. M.		45 55
Drugs and freight on same		657 29
Balance Tucker Love Gift to General Fund		20 00
Wm. Freeland Trust income transferred to Currie Institute Current Expenses Fund		352 49
Personal Gift for Rev. J. E. Lloyd		5 00
Total for African work		$3,374 04
Russian Famine Fund		389 36
Missionary Education Movement		100 00
Armenian Relief		8 00
Armenian Orphan		30 00
Personal Gift, Miss Barker, Turkey		2 00
From Hine Trust for Administration Expenses		76 20
From Wm. Freeland Trust for Administration Expenses		33 35
Balance on hand		3,246 64
		$7,259 59

The above balance is made up as follows:

Hine Trust		$1,263 77
Furlough Fund		368 10
Motor Cycle		359 29
Currie Institute Expenses		852 49
Boys and Girls (undesignated)	$181 45	
Boys (Dondi)	112 00	
		293 45
Organ Fund		9 54
Hospital Cots		100 00
		$3,246 64

CURRIE INSTITUTE ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year—		
Cash	$ 1,238 76	
Bonds	19,473 00	
		$20,711 76
From Forward Movement		10,544 09
Contributions		1,036 00
Interest and Bond Profit		1,179 04
		$33,470 89

EXPENDITURE

Remitted American Board	$18,500 00
Remitted American Board (Swaddling)	1,937 50
Exchange	49 29
Seeds, for Institute	10 80
Ten per cent. income to General Fund	221 50
Postage, etc.	3 42
Balance	12,748 38
	$33,470 89

We have audited the books, vouchers and accounts of the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionray Society for twelve months ended April 30th, 1923, and certify that the foregoing statements are in accordance therewith. We have also checked the securities and find they agree with the books.

(Signed) OSCAR HUDSON & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY ASSOCIATIONS

1921—1922

Association	General	Designated	Currie	Total
Western Provinces	$ 625 46	$1,420 35	.....	$ 2,045 81
Ontario—Western	1,907 07	1,821 03	20 00	3,748 10
Central	1,920 44	1,372 08	481 75	3,774 27
Eastern	638 36	122 55	.....	760 91
Quebec	2,092 56	622 24	.....	2,714 80
Maritime	404 73	240 44	43 00	688 17
Personal	1,854 32	117 14	.....	1,971 46
Total	$9,442 94	$5,715 83	$544 75	$15,703 52

1922—1923

Association	General	Designated	Currie	Total
Western Provinces	$1,007 35	$ 125 20	.....	$ 1,132 55
Ontario, Western	2,450 93	356 25	.....	2,807 18
Central	2,115 25	249 21	10 00	2,374 46
Eastern	819 66	99 25	.....	918 91
Quebec	1,992 45	678 74	1,026 00	3,697 19
Maritime	314 84	.....	.....	314 84
Personal	1,752 65	7 00	.....	1,759 65
Total	$10,453 13	$1,515 65	$1,036 00	$13,004 78

H. W. BARKER, Treasurer.

C.C.F.M.S. RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES

(In order to show the total Missionary giving of the churches, the receipts of the Woman's Board are also shown, but these, and contributions for Special Purposes, do not count on the church apportionments.

ONTARIO (CENTRAL)

Barrie
Church $25 00

Cobourg
Church $146 50
W. B. M. 195 79

Coldsprings
W. B. M. 50 00

Dalston
W. B. M. 10 30

Edgar
Church 27 00

Edgar and Dalston Dis.
For Russian Famine 21 00

$48 00
W. B. M. $32 10

Humber Summit
Church $36 00
S. S. for Boy 12 50

$48 50

Pine Grove
C. E. Society $30 75
S. S. for boy 12 50
S. S. and Church for cot 20 00

$63 25
W. B. M. $62 38

Rugby
W. B. M. $182 62

Stouffville
W. B. M. $6 00

Toronto Birchcliff
Church $30 49
S. S. 13 69
Senior C. E. 6 10
Junior C. E. 2 50

$52 78
W. B. M. $105 00

Toronto Bond Street
S. S. $100 00
W. B. M. 303 10

Toronto Broadview
Church $622 85
W. B. M. 215 85

Toronto North Rosedale
Church $715 00
Church for M.E.M. 12 00
Church for Currie Inst. 10 00

$737 00
W. B. M. $767 90

Toronto Olivet
Church $200 00
S. S. 19 37
Aux. for dispensing 5 00
Church for M.E.M. 5 00
Church for Russian Famine 137 21

$366 55
W. B. M. $1,613 42

Toronto Western
Church $40 00
W. B. M. 92 00

Toronto Runnymede Com.
Church $100 00
S. S. for cot 20 00

$120 00
W. B. M. $110 37

Toronto Branch W. B. M. $38 10

ONTARIO (WESTERN)

Bethel (Gainsboro)
S. S. $3 50
W. B. M. 12 00

Bloomingdale
Church $53 50
C. E. 45 71
White Gift for boy 20 00

$119 21
W. B. M. $108 24

Brantford
Church $225 00
S. S. $79 19

$303 19
W. B. M. $470 50

Burford
Church 35 00
W. B. M. 42 20

Diltz Road
Church $15 00
S. S. 19 00
S. S. for cot 20 00
$54 00

Elcho
Church $12 50
S. S. 2 56
Church for Russian Famine 3 00
$18 06
W. B. M. $68 38

Embro
Church $94 50
Church for Russian Famine 1 00
$95 50
W. B. M. $130 50

Forest Central
Church $52 00
S. S. 4 00
Church for Armenian Relief 8 00
$64 00
W. B. M. $380 62

Forest Lake Shore
Church $22 50

Forest Plympton
Church $12 00
S. S. 10 00
$22 00

Frome
Church $30 00
S. S. 25 00
$55 00
W. B. M. $25 00

Freeport
Church $21 00
S. S. 12 08
$33 08
W. B. M. $25 40

Garafraxa
Church $25 00
S. S. 5 06
$30 06
W. B. M. $11 28

Guelph
Church $124 75
S. S. 25 00
S.O.S. Class for boy 10 00
Church for Russian Fam. 14 25
Church for M.E.M. 5 00
$179 00
W. B. M. $449 70

Hamilton First
Church 718 11
S. S. 6 89
S. S. for boys and girls .. 100 00
Church for M.E.M. 15 00
$840 00
W. B. M. $287 32

Hamilton Immanuel
Church $66 00

Kincardine
Church $11 75

Kitchener
W. B. M. $189 30

Listowel
Church $25 00
W. B. M. 40 00

London First
Church $58 28
S. S. 29 00
S. S. for boys and girls 40 00
$127 28
W. B. M. $184 20

London Southern
Church $50 00
W. B. M. 275 00

Lowbanks
Church $19 45
S. S. 5 00
$24 45

Mt. Carmel
Church $25 00
S. S. 10 00
Church for Russian Fam. 1 00
$36 00

New Durham
Church $40 00
W. B. M. 25 12

Paris
Church $36 22
W. B. M. 159 65

Scotland
Church $55 20
S. S. 10 00
C. E. for boy 15 00
Friends for teacher 25 00
Church for Russian Fam. 2 00

$107 20
W. B. M. $106 00

Sherkstone
Church $40 00
W. B. M. 14 00

Speedside
Church $20 00
Mission band for cot 20 00

$40 00
W. B. M. $32 90

Stratford
Church $100 00
S. S. for Russian Famine 50 00

$150 00
W. B. M. $263 50

Tilbury
Church for Russian Fam. 7 00

Watford
Church $40 71
S. S. 16 65
Y. P. S. 25 00

$82 36
W. B. M. $106 80

West Montrose
Church $39 25
S. S. 4 77

$44 02
W. B. M. $31 86

Wingham
W. B. M. $28 00

Zion (Zion Cir.)
Church $37 80
S. S. 8 00

$45 80

Guelph Branch W.B.M.
..... $34 31

London Branch W.B.M.
..... $20 00

Paris Branch W.B.M.
..... $97 00

ONTARIO (EASTERN)

Hopetown
Church $12 25
W. B. M. 30 00

Kingston Bethel
Church $30 81
C. E. 11 00
C. E. for boys 27 00
Church for Russian Fam. 19 25

$88 06
W. B. M. $119 90

Kingston Calvary
Church $47 00
S. S. 10 00

$57 00
W. B. M. $37 09

Kingston First
Church $57 00
W. B. M. 140 86

Lanark
Church $250 00
W. B. M. 129 24

Maxville
Church $105 85
W. B. M. 594 46

Middleville
Church $35 50
W. B. M. 25 20

Ottawa First
Church $150 00
C. E. for boys 40 00

$190 00
W. B. M. $260 90

Ottawa W. Zion
Church $50 00
S. S. 40 00
S. S. for boys and girls 13 00

$103 00
W. B. M. $15 50

Rosetta
Church $20 25

Ottawa Branch W.B.M.
..... $150 15

QUEBEC ASSOCIATION

Ayer's Cliff
Church $33 80
S. S. 5 75
$39 55
W. B. M. $41 31

Boynton & Brown's Hill
Church $6 39
W. B. M. 71 80
$78 19

Brigham
Church $4 25
W. B. M. 16 51

Cowansville
Church $60 00
Church for boy 5 00
$65 00
W. B. M. $148 54

Danville
Church $60 00
S. S. 3 00
Church for M.E.M. 2 00
$65 00
W. B. M. $132 09

Fitch Bay
Church $43 00
Church for Russian Fam. 20 15
$63 15
W. B. M. $91 18

Granby
Church $312 66
S. S. for cot 20 00
Ch. for M.E.M. 25 00
$357 66
W.B.M. $422 25

Melbourne
Church $35 00
W. B. M. 177 10

Montreal Calvary
Church $261 75
S.S. and Mission B'd for bush car 100 00
Church for M.E.M. 10 00
Church for Russian Fam. 78 90
$450 65
W. B. M. $411 65

Montreal-Am. Park
Church $20 00
W. B. M. 30 20

Montreal Crystal Springs
Church $15 00

Montreal Emmanuel
Church $787 50
S. S. 35 65
S. S. for Armenian Orphan 30 00
Church for M.E.M. 22 00
$875 15
W. B. M. $708 18

Montreal Pt. St. Charles
Church $51 74
W. B. M. 100 80

Rock Island
Church $50 00
S. S. for boy 2 00
$52 00
W. B. M. $27 90

St. Andrew's East
W. B. M. $38 29

St. Anne de Bellevue
Church $32 54
W. B. M. 41 38

Sherbrooke
Church $150 00
S. S. 24 42
$174 92
W. B. M. $275 92

Ulverton
W. B. M. $14 80

Waterville
S. S. for Russian Famine $4 40
W. B. M. 75 04

NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK

Baker's Settlement
Church $1 01

Beach Meadows
W. B. M. $12 85

Brooklyn
W. B. M. $107 00

Chebogue
Church $9 00
W. B. M. 26 25

Economy
Church $9 00
Hemford
Church $3 57
W. B. M. 1 90
Keswick Ridge
Church $16 25
W. B. M. 158 60
Kingsport
Church $36 25
W. B. M. 56 94
Liverpool
Church $11 00
W. B. M. 72 60
Lower Selmah
Church $10 00
W. B. M. 25 70
Margaree
Church $30 00
W. B. M. 4 97
Milton
W. B. M. $49 65
Noel
Church $15 00
W. B. M. 9 85
Pleasant River
Church $2 86
W. B. M. 18 25
St. John
W. B. M. $14 25
Sheffield
Church $72 12
Church for Miss Barker, Turkey 2 00
$74 12
W. B. M. $135 30
South Maitland
Church $12 00
Yarmouth
Church $80 00
W. B. M. 185 00
Union of N. S. & N. B. $6 78
Maritime Branch W.B.M. $7 00

WESTERN PROVINCES

Bateman
Y. P. Soc'y for boy $50 00
Beiseker, Zion
Church $35 00
Brandon
S. S. for Russian Famine $3.70
Calgary
Church for Rus. Fam. $11 50
W. B. M. 50 00
Calgary Russo-German
Church $15 00
Carson
W. B. M. $40 00
Castor, Hopefield
Church $12 35
Chellwood
Church $3 00
Gros Ventre Zoar
Church $6 75
Hanna
Church $23 50
Iruine-Friedens
Church $14 75
Irvine-Pilgrim
Church $3 75
Leader
Church $17 00
Malmo
Ladies' Aid $10 00
Mayton
Church $47 50
Nasely
Church for boys $25 00
Three Hills Zion
Church $17 50
Vancouver First
Church $161 90
Y. L. Guild 10 00
$171 90
W. B. M. $203 50
Vancouver Grandview
Church $50 00
Vancouver Kitsilano
Church $36 66
S. S. 4 06
$40 72
Victoria
Church $104 13
W. B. M. 206 40
Walsh-Friedens
Church $10 00
Winnipeg-Central
Church $214 50
W. B. M. 670 28

Winnipeg-Crescent

Church	$175	00
Mission Band for boy	20	00
Y. P. Club	20	00
Church for Russian Fam.	5	00
W. Ass'n for Russian Fam.	10	00
	$230	00
W. B. M.	$191	00

Young

W. B. M.	$20	00

German Conference

	$15	00

Western Prov. W.B.M.

W. B. M.	$52	15

Personal

Mrs. L. B. Carr, Fitch Bay	$10	00
Rev. J. T. and Mrs. Daly, Port Hope	15	00
Miss M. E. Sykes, Worcester, Man.	2	00
W. H. Shapley, Toronto	25	00
A Friend, for Dr. Stokey's outfit	250	00
H. Langlois, Toronto	20	00
A Friend of Chisamba for Mr. Steed's salary	1300	65
A. Watson, Montreal, for Rev. J. E. Lloyd	5	00
J. D. Woltz, Toronto, for M. E. M.	2	00
F. H. Littlefield, Toronto, for M. E. M.	2	00
W. E. Lyman, Montreal, for Currie Institute	1000	00
J. T. Edwards, Montreal, for Currie Institute	26	00
C. Duff, Hamilton	100	00
H. M. Peacock, Toronto	10	00
A Friend, toward Motor-Cycle	359	29
Rev. J. T. Tucker	20	00
	$3,146	94

CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE OF CANADA

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Chairman—Charles Gurd, Esq., Montreal.

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Term Expires 1925—Charles Gurd, Esq., Montreal; A. McA. Murphy, Esq., Montreal; W. H. Miner, Granby.

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Term Expires 1927—B. B. Stevenson, Esq., Montreal; Rev. Hugh Pedley, B.A., D.D., Montreal; Milliam Rettie.

Term Expires 1928—T. B. Macaulay, Rev. J. T. Daley, B.A., D.D., Rev. G. Ellery Read, D.D.

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Finance Committee—Messrs. Chas. Gurd, B. B. Stevenson, T. Moodie.

Trustees of Endowment Fund—Messrs. Chas. Gurd, T. B. Macaulay, T. Moodie.

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THE SENATE

President—Rev. David Lake Richie, D.D., 60 McTavish St.

Registrar—Rev. W. Henry Warriner, D.D., 453 Old Orchard Ave.

The Governors—Members of the Faculty.

Representatives of the Congregational Union of Canada—Rev. J. L. Alexander, B.D., Rev. George Adam, F. A. Stevenson, D.M.D., W. H. Smith, Esq.

Representatives of the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick—Rev. J. W. Cox, B.A., D.D., Rev. E. J. Thompson.

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FACULTY

The Principal and Registrar, together with Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D., J. R. Dougall, Esq., M.A., LL.D., (advisory members.)

Associate Examiners—Rev. J. T. Daley, D.D., Rev. F. J. Day, D.D., and Rev. G. Ellery Read, D.D.

Librarian—Rev. Prof. W. H. Warriner.

FORM OF BEQUEST FOR THE COLLEGE

I give and bequeath to the Treasurer, for the time being, of the Congregational College of Canada, a body corporate, by Act of Parliament of the Province of Canada, A.D. 1864 the sum of.....
(either without designation, or *"to be added to the Endowment Fund of said College"*) out of my estate without any charge or deduction whatever, to be paid with all convenient speed after my decease; and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer, for the time being of the said College, shall be sufficient and valid discharge of said legacy.

BY-LAWS.

Chapter I.

1. The Corporation shall be called "The Congregational College of Canada."

2. Its objects shall be the education of ministers of the Gospel and the encouragement and inauguration of all desirable educational methods and movements, whereby the efficiency of the church may be advanced.

3. Contributors of two dollars annually to the Funds of the College shall be members of the Corporation. A contributor in arrears one year shall not be qualified to vote at the meeting of the Corporation, or to exercise his other rights of membership. The Treasurer's subscription list shall be taken as evidence of contribution.

4. Churches contributing for the previous year to the current expenses of the College the sum of ten dollars and upwards may be represented at the meeting of the Corporation by one delegate for each church; those contributing twenty-five dollars or upwards for the previous year, by two delegates; and those contributing fifty dollars or upwards for the previous year, by three delegates.

5. Persons by whom or on whose behalf one hundred dollars or more shall have been contributed at any one time to the funds of the College, may be chosen life members of the Corporation.

6. A regular meeting of the Corporation shall be held annually, for the reception of the report of the Governors, the election of a new Board according to provisions hereinafter named, and the transaction of other necessary business.

7. The annual meeting shall be held at the same time and place as the Congregational Union of Canada.

8. Special meetings of the Corporation may be held for the transaction of special business at the call of the Board of Governors, or on a requisition to that effect to the Chairman of the Board of Governors, signed by at least twenty members of the Corporation; provided always that no such special meetings be held without one month's notice thereof in an accredited newspaper in Toronto and Montreal, and also in the *Canadian Congregationalist.*

Chapter II.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

1. A Board of fifteen Governors, having power to choose their own officers, shall be elected from members of the Corporation. Five members of the Board shall constitute a quorum. Honorary Advisory Governors may be appointed at any annual meeting. Such appointees shall require to have served the corporation at some time as active governors. Such appointments shall be for life.

2. Three members of the Board shall retire annually, in rotation, but shall be eligible for re-election.

3. The powers and duties of the Board shall be:

(*a*) The administration of the property of the College and the management of its finances.

(*b*) The appointment and renewal of all officers of the College.

(*c*) The general oversight and management of the affairs of the College, and

(*d*) The presentation of an annual report of the general condition of the College to the Corporation at the next regular meeting.

4. Any member of the Board absent from its meetings for a year shall be held *ipso facto* to have vacated his seat, but may be re-appointed or re-elected thereto.

5. Vacancies in the Board, whether occurring by death or resignation or otherwise, may be filled by the Board whenever it may see fit.

6. It shall be competent for the Board of Governors to appoint annually an Executive Committee from its membership, which Committee shall exercise, between the meetings of the Board, such powers as may be delegated to it by the Board of Governors.

7. The Board of Governors shall be called together at the close of the annual meeting of the Corporation, for organization and other needful business. They shall hold an annual meeting at a convenient time before the annual meeting of the Corporation; a special meeting may be called at any time by the Chairman and Secretary, or by the Secretary, at the request of five members.

Chapter III.

THE SENATE.

1. There shall be a Senate composed of—(1) The members of the Board of Governors; (2) the Faculty; (3) four representatives chosen annually by the Alumni Association; (4) four representatives chosen annually by the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec; (5) two representatives chosen annually by the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Seven members of the Senate shall constitute a quorum.

2. The Senate shall frame regulations for and supervise all matters of education, honors and discipline.

3. The Principal shall be a member of the Faculty and ex-officio President of the Senate.

4. The Registrar shall be a member of the Faculty and ex-officio Secretary of the Senate.

5. The Senate shall meet annually within one month preceding the close of the Session, at the College, in the city of Montreal, and at such other times and places as the interests of the College may require, and shall make an annual report to the Corporation through the Board of Governors.

Chapter IV.

THE FACULTY

1. The Principal and Professors, with such members of the Senate as from time to time may be appointed by the Board of Governors, constitute the Faculty, and as such are entrusted with the educational work of the College and the enforcement of its regulations under the direction of the Senate. The Principal shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Faculty.

2. Members of the Faculty must be members of a Congregational Church.

3. Members of the Faculty shall not be members of the Board of Governors, but the Principal shall be a consulting member of the Board of Governors, and of standing committees appointed by the Board or the Senate.

Chapter V.

THE OFFICERS.

1. The Chairman of the Board of Governors shall be Presiding Officer of the Corporation.

2. The President of the Senate shall preside at all public functions of the College.

3. The Secretary of the Senate shall be Registrar of the College.

Chapter VI.

AMENDMENTS.

Amendments to these By-laws may be made at any regular meeting of the Corporation, provided that notice of such amendment has been given at the meeting next preceding.

GRADUATES OF CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE OF CANADA

DOCTORS OF DIVINITY

George, Joseph Henry, M.A. (Victoria), Ph.D. (Boston) 1900
Warriner, William Henry, M.A. (McGill), D.D. (Victoria), ...Montreal, Que., 1900
Rowland, Alfred, LL.B. (London) .....London, Eng., 1902
Currie, Walter T., B.A. (McGill) *Ob*..... 1907
Hooke, Daniel Burford ..... Henleaze, Eng., 1909
MacCallum, Frederick William, B.A. (McGill) .....Constantinople, Turkey., 1912
Pedley, Hugh, B.A. (McGill), D.D. (Knox) *Ob*..... 1912
Day, Frank J., M.A. (McGill), B.D., (C.C.C.) .....Moline, Ill., 1915
Gunn, William T., M.A. (McGill), B.D. (C.C.C.) .....Toronto, 1915
Hill, Edward Munson, M.A. and D.D. (Beloit) .....Wayne, Penn., 1915
Unsworth, Joseph, B.A. (McGill) .....Nanaimo, 1915
Pedley, Hilton, B.A. (McGill).....Maebashi, Japan, 1917
Ritchie, David Lakie.....Montreal, Que., 1917
Cox, Jacob Whitman, B.A. (McGill) .....Sheffield, N.B., 1919
Daley, James T., B.A. (McGill) .....Port Hope, Ont., 1919
Read, George Ellery.....Sherbrooke, Que., 1920

BACHELORS OF DIVINITY

Hambly, David D., B.A. (Manitoba Coll.) .....Granveville, Idaho, 1899
Rice, Horace G., M.A. (McGill) .....Edmonton, Alta., 1902
Hindley, J. G., M.A. (McGill),.....East Cleveland, Ohio, 1907
Drysdale, Robt. J., M.A. (Yale) .....Rochester, N.Y., 1908
Schrag, A.R.....Lloydminster, Alberta, 1910
Moule, Herbert, B.A. (Springfield) 1911
Powell, G. L., M.A. (McMaster), Ph.D. (Boston) ..Caldwell, Idaho, 1911
Tucker, John Taylor.....Dondi, Africa, 1912
Knight, Ernest Frederick (West. & Univ. Coll., Bristol) ..Dursley, Eng. 1923
Steed, J. Arthur, M.A. (McGill) .....Chisamba, Africa, 1918
Tannahill, R. D., B.A. (Toronto Univ.) .....Gordon Lake, Ont., 1919
Teale, Arthur E.....Waterville, Que., 1921
Jones, T. W. (McGill) .....Montreal, Que., 1923

GRADUATES

Alexander, J. L., B.D.	Hamilton, Ont.	1897
Allworth, W. H.	*Ob.*	1845
Allworth, John H., M.A.	Wheaton, Ill.	1873
Anthony, S. W.	Brighton, Mass.	1905
Ashdown, C. R., B.A.	Sarnia, Ont.	1897
Austin, James M.	Pleasant Valley, Sask.	1889
Baker, W. E.	*Ob.*	1905
Baird, Robert G.	*Ob.*	1857
Ball, George W.	Liverpool, N.S.	1894
Barker, Enoch	*Ob.*	1854
Bayne, Thomas	*Ob.*	1846
Black, R. K.	*Ob.*	1852
Black, James R., B.A.	Merryville, Ont.	1874
Blyth, Robert B., B.A.	Minneapolis,	1900
Bolton, Charles E.	*Ob.*	1881
Bowles, John	*Ob.*	1845
Boyd, James	*Ob.*	1856
Bradshaw, J. E.		1897
Brown, Robert	*Ob.*	1861
Brown, John	*Ob.*	1861
Brown, John L.	Snow Flake, Man.	1894
Bryning, Joseph	*Ob.*	1860
Burchill, Robert	Clifton, Ont.	1861
Burpee, Archibald	*Ob.*	1855
Campbell, John	*Ob.*	1855
Carr, Robert Wilson	Cowansville, Que.	1911
Carson, Herman Alfred, B.A.	Rock Island, Que.	1904
Claris, W. H. A.	London, Ont.	1872
Claris, C. C.	Pitsford, Vt.	1902
Clarke, William F.	*Ob.*	1844
Cornwell, Albert G.	Elmira, N. Y.	1909
Cossar, Andrew O.		1876
Cox, Jacob W., B.A., D.D.	Maugerville, N. S.	1877
Craik, Galen H., B.A.	Melbourne, Que.	1892
Currie, Walter T., B.A., D.D.	*Ob.*	1885
Daley, James T., B.A., D.D.	Port Hope, Ont.	1890
Davey, Frank	*Ob.*	1888
Davey, Wm. J.	Belfast, Ireland	1908
Day, Benjamin W.	*Ob.*	1861
Day, F. J., M.A., D.D.	Moline, Ill.	1896
Dickson, J. A. R., D.D.	*Ob.*	1865
Douglas, James	*Ob.*	1865
Drysdale, R. J., M.A., B.D.	Rochester, N. Y.	1902
Duff, Charles, M.A.	*Ob.*	1862
Ebbs, Edward	*Ob.*	1843
Ewing, William, B.A., D.D.	Claremont, Cal.	1897
Extence, George	Martintown, Ont.	1895
Fenwick, Kenneth M.	*Ob.*	1847
Finton, Samuel	*Ob.*	1842
Fraser, John	*Ob.*	1852
Fuller, George	London, Eng.	1883
Geikie, John Cunningham, D.D.	*Ob.*	1848
Gerrie, A. W., B.A.	Torrington, Conn.	1885
Gerrie, John P., B.A.	Edmonton, Alta.	1888

Gervan, Geo. S.	Millbrooke, Sask.	1908
Greenaway, R. Brandon	Winona, Minn.	1901
Griffith, Joseph	*Ob.*	1873
Grisbrook, E. O.	Newton, Conn.	1893
Gunn, W. T., M.A., D.D.	Toronto, Ont.	1892
Hamilton, D. S., B.A.	Winnipeg, Man.	1894
Hamilton, Wm. John, B.D.	Longueil, Que.	1903
Hambly, David D., B.A., B.D.	Grangeville, Idaho	1899
Harding, A. E.		1899
Hart, John O.		1887
Harvey, W. R.	Blackheath, London, S.E. 3..	1905
Hay, William	*Ob.*	1847
Hay, James	*Ob.*	1852
Hay, Robert	*Ob.*	1858
Hindley, J. I., Ph.D.	*Ob.*	1869
Hindley, J. G., M.A., B.D.	East Cleveland, Ohio	1907
Hindley, Geo. J.	Young, Sask.	1911
Hodgskin, Thomas I.	*Ob.*	1845
Horsey, Harold I.	Ottawa	1896
Houghton, Ola R.	Bakersville, Vt.	1908
Hughes, E. D.	West Winfield, N.Y.	1919
Hutchinson, J. J.	Barton, Vt.	1906
Jones, T. W., M.A.	Montreal, Que.	1921
Jackson, Samuel N., M.D.	*Ob.*	1866
Jackson, W. Parkyn	St. Albans, Vt.	1895
Jackson, H. Norman	Embro, O.	1922
Kean, John R.	*Ob.*	1860
Kelly, Matthew	London, Ont.	1896
Kelly, G. F.	Burford, Ont.	1920
King, Stephen	*Ob.*	1842
Knighton, G. H.	Dalston, Ont.	1919
Kribs, Ludwick	*Ob.*	1841
Lancashire, Henry	*Ob.*	1847
Lee, Wilberforce		1889
Lewis, Richard	*Ob.*	1862
Lloyd, J. E.	Camundongo, Africa	1920
Lumsden, Richard	*Ob.*	1843
Lyman, E. S., B.C.L.	*Ob.*	1866
Macallum, Daniel	*Ob.*	1852
Macallum, F. W., B.A., D.D.	Constantinople, Turkey	1889
Mair, John	Edmonton, Alberta	1897
Malcolm, John F.	Claremont, Ont.	1877
Marling, F. H., D.D.	*Ob.*	1848
Mason, Horace C., B.A.	Seattle, Wash.	1889
Mason, H. E.	Dayton, Wash.	1895
Mackenzie, A. J.	Detroit	1911
McAdie, James	Swift Current, Sask.	1887
McDonald, A.		1857
McFadyen, A. L., B.A.	*Ob.*	1879
McGlashan, Leonard	*Ob.*	1842
McGregor, Alexander	*Ob.*	1862
McGregor, Duncan, M.A.	*Ob.*	1872
McGregor, A. F., B.A.	Niagara, Ont.	1878
McGuire, John		1897
McIntosh, William	*Ob.*	1874
McKay, Charles	*Ob.*	1846

McKillican, John	*Ob.*	1851
McKillop, Malcolm	*Ob.*	1858
McKinnon, John	Pilot Mound, Man.	1881
McLeod, Norman	Humboldt, Iowa	1844
McLeod, Alexander	*Ob.*	1887
McMinn, A. K., B.A.	Victoria, B.C.	1922
Moore, Churchill	Keswick Ridge, N.B.	1890
Morton, H. A., B.A.		1902
Moule, Herbert, B.H., B.D.		1911
Munroe, Thomas A., B.A.	Morris, Man.	1900
Munroe, William	St. Lambert Que.	1900
Nighswander, D. D.	*Ob.*	1872
Noble, E. A.	*Ob.*	1853
Orr, Arthur J.	Annan, Ont.	1913
Paley, Wm.	Paris, Ont.	1918
Peacock, Wm. M.	*Ob.*	1869
Pedley, Hugh, B.A., D.D.	Montreal, Que.	1877
Pedley, J. W., B.A.	Toronto, Ont.	1885
Pedley, Hilton, B.A., D.D.	Maebashi, Japan	1889
Pollock, A. F., B.D.	Ottawa	1896
Pierce, Ira W.	Granby, Que.	1910
Pritchard, W. S., B.A., B.D.	Greenacres, R.D.I.	1893
Rawson, George A.	*Ob.*	1860
Read, Frank W., B.A.	*Ob.*	1892
Read, George Ellery, D.D.	Sherbrooke, Que.	1893
Rice, Horace G., M.A., B.D.	Edmonton, Alta.	1901
Rice, LeRoy, B.A.	Newport, Vt.	1900
Richards, A. L.	Toronto, Ont.	1921
Richardson, A. W., B.A., M.D.	Kingston, Ont.	1884
Ritchie, George	Salt Lake City	1852
Robinson, Robert	*Ob.*	1844
Robertson, George, B.A.	*Ob.*	1882
Rose, I. Adams	*Ob.*	1905
Ross, R. O., B.A., M.D.	Stanstead, Que.	1892
Ross, Arthur B., B.A.	West Glover, Vt.	1899
Saer, J. B., B.D.	Toronto, Ont.	1880
Samson, Percy V., B.A.	Deloraine, Man.	1916
Sanderson, John G.	*Ob.*	1862
Schrag, Astor R., B.D.	Lloydminster, Alberta	1904
Seawright, Thomas		1847
Secord, Albert	Olmstead Falls, Ohio	1900
Shanks, Philip	*Ob.*	1856
Silcox, Edwin D.	Toronto, Ont.	1873
Silcox, J. B., D.D.	Toronto, Ont.	1876
Skinner, George	Short Falls, N.H.	1882
Sleep, A. G.	London, Eng.	1911
Smith, Malcolm		1862
Snell, Thomas	*Ob.*	1846
Solandt, Andrew P., B.A.	Southington, Conn.	1888
Steed, J., Arthur, M.A., B.D.	Chisamba, Africa	1918
Stillman, Henry W., S.T.L.		1904
Strassenberg, G., M.D.	Lima, N. Y.	1861
Swanson, I. J., B.A.	Ravenna, Ohio	1890
Tannahill, R. D., B.A.		1919
Teale, Arthur E., B.D.	Waterville, Que.	1915
Thomas, Richard T.	*Ob.*	1865

Tippet, B. V.	Lodi, Ohio	1908
Tucker, John T., B.D.	Dondi, Africa	1911
Unsworth, J. K., B.A., D.D.	Nanaimo, B.C.	1887
Vincent, James		1842
Wallace, Robt. W., B.A., B.D.	*Ob.*	1872
Warriner, W. Henry, M.A., D.D.	Montreal, Que.	1878
Watt, William J.	Marengo, Va.	1889
Watt, James C., B.A.	Crested Bute, Colo.	1896
Watt, Robert G., B.D.	Provost, Alta.	1896
Way, William H.	Rensellar Falls, N.Y.	1883
Whyte, George M.	Berkley, Mass.	1885
Wickson, George C.	*Ob.*	1847
Wickson, Arthur, LL.D.	*Ob.*	1848
Willett, George	*Ob.*	1878
Williams, J. Manville	Kettle Falls, Wash.	1901
Wood, John	*Ob.*	1851
Woodley, E. C., M.A.	Montreal, Que.	1902
Wright, James C.	Bluff, Washington	1878

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE OF CANADA

The Annual Meeting of the Congregational College of Canada was held in First Congregational Church, Ottawa on Friday, June 8th, 1923 at 2 p.m.

Judge S. P. Leet of Montreal was appointed Chairman of the meeting.

Mr. Alex. McA. Murphy of Montreal, Secretary of the Board of Governors was appointed Secretary of the meeting.

Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D. offered prayer.

The minutes of the last annual meeting upon motion of Rev. T. W. Jones, seconded by Rev. Frank Sanders were taken as read and adopted.

The report of the Board of Governors as presented by the Secretary and including reports of the Senate and Librarian read by Dr. W. H. Warriner; that of The House Committee read on behalf of Mr. Gurd by the Secretary and that of the Treasurer, presented by Mr. Thos. Moodie, upon motion by Mr. Alex. McA. Murphy seconded by Rev. Frank Sanders, was unanimously adopted.

A general discussion of the affairs of the College was participated in by Rev. Principal D. L. Ritchie, D.D.; Rev. J. L. Alexander; Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D.; Rev. T. W. Jones; Rev. Dr. W. H. Warriner, D.D.; Rev. A. F. Pollock; Rev. Frank Sanders; Rev. Harold Horsey; Mr. Johnston of Hamilton and Student Smith.

The sentiments of all the speakers were expressive of appreciation towards the faculty and the administration.

It was moved by Mr. Alex McA. Murphy, seconded by Rev. T. W. Jones and carried that the matter of an appropriation to the Canadian Congregationalist be referred to the Board of Governors.

It was moved by Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D., seconded by Mr. Johnston of Hamilton and carried that Messrs. T. B. Macaulay, and Rev. J. T. Daley, D.D., be re-elected governors and that Rev. G. Ellery Read, D.D., of Sherbrooks, Que., be elected a Governor in place of Rev. E. LeRoy Rice, retired.

It was moved by Rev. Principle D. L. Ritchie, D.D. and seconded by Rev. J. L. Alexander and carried unanimously that the hearty appreciation and affection of the members of the Corporation be conveyed to Mr. Charles

Gurd, Chairman of the Board of Governors, and that the special thanks of the Corporation be tendered him for his gift of a bursary of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00).

It was moved by Rev. Dr. Warriner, seconded by Rev. Frank Sanders and carried that the Principal and Secretary be requested to confer with the Union executive with respect to arranging for the annual meeting to be held in the morning with a view to securing a larger attendance.

It was moved by Rev. Principal Ritchie, seconded by Rev. J. L. Alexander of Hamilton, and unanimously carried that whereas "The Basis of Union" provides that all Colleges shall as far as possible sustain the same relation to the United Church as under their Charters they now sustain to the respective churches until the General Council shall determine otherwise and necessary legislation shall give effect to changes made thereby.

It is hereby resolved—That meanwhile in anticipation of any necessary legislation, the Senate, Board of Governors and Corporation of the Congregational College of Canada in annual meeting assembled at Ottawa, feel it to be their duty and privilege while conserving all the interests involved, to express their hearty approval of the Union of the Three Churches as set forth in the United Church of Canada Bills" and declare their willingness to facilitate such further legislation as may be necessary to complete the Union of the Colleges as well as of the Churches; and, further—the Board of Governors be authorized to take such preliminary steps as may be deemed wise and requisite to bring about adjustments with sister negotiating Colleges.

It was moved by Rev. Dr. Gunn, seconded by Rev. T. W. Jones and unanimously carried that the thanks of the Corporation be extended to the retiring officers and the faculty for valued services rendered.

Rev. Dr. W. T. Gunn offered prayer and pronounced the benediction.

The Meeting Adjourned.

Alex. McA. Murphy,
Secretary.

REPORT OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS

To The Members of the Corporation,

The Congregational College of Canada.

The Board of Governors has pleasure in presenting its annual report for 1922-1923, included in which are the annual reports of;

The Senate; The Librarian; The House Committee and The Treasurer.

The year has been eminently satisfactory from the scholastic point of view and encouraging though not fully satisfying from the economic standpoint.

The co-operating relationships of our College with the sister Colleges of the Joint Board of Theological Colleges, Affiliated with McGill University has continued to be gratifying in both the spirit of fellowship and in academic result.

The support of the Churches is still short of the expectations of the Board—though the year shows a few additional enrollments upon the list of contributing churches.

The Board appointed Mr. William Rettie of Emmanuel Church, Montreal as a governor in succession to Mr. A. Huntly Duff, B.A., K.C.,—deceased.

The retiring governors are Messrs. T. B. Macaulay; Rev. J. T. Daley, D.D.; and Rev. E. LeRoy Rice, B.A.

The Board recommends, in anticipation of Union with the negotiating sister denominations—that at this annual meeting a declaration be made to the effect that the members of The Corporation of the Congregational College of Canada anticipate with great joy the approaching culmination of the negotiations of the past twenty years and express themselves as being unreservedly ready to participate in bringing to happy and cordial fruition the complete consummation of the hopes and plans of the contracting denominations.

The Board, too, recommends that it be entrusted with authority to take such preliminary steps as may be deemed wise or requisite to bring about adjustments with sister negotiating colleges in the interest of the advance of Christian teaching and the cause of Christ and His Churches generally.

Respectfully submitted,

Alex. McA. Murphy,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SENATE

Session 1922-23

To the Board of Governors:

Gentlemen;

The following is the report of the Senate on the work of the eighty-third session of the College;

Roll of Students

Fifteen students were in residence. Of these five were in the Preparatory Department, eight were undergraduates in Arts, some of whom also attended certain classes in Theology, and two were in the straight theological course.

The effect of the great war is still seen in the large proportion of students who are yet in the Preparatory or Arts Courses. Only time can remedy this.

We were glad to welcome four new students, one a member of our Church at Maxville, who had roomed in the College the previous year and was now entering on the second year of his Arts Course. Three came from England, under the auspices of the Colonial Missionary Society, and through the kind co-operation of the Rev. A. G. Sleep, the Secretary of the Society, himself a graduate of this College, acting in association with Dr. Ritchie.

In addition to the Students in residence, two were admitted to partial Courses, three were registered in the B. D. Course, and examinations were conducted for three others who were taking the Union Reading Course, making in all, twenty-three under the care of the College.

Maintenance Bursaries

The new Maintenance Busaries of $20.00 each, established by the Governors from the unused interest of certain scholarships, are made available for every student who does his work to the satisfaction of the Faculty, to be applied by him toward the $30.00 room rent charged for the session. Needless to say, that these have been greatly appreciated by the students, all of whom qualified themselves for the Bursary.

The Charles Gurd Bursary

The Thanks of the Senate are due to Mr. Charles Gurd, who has again shown his great interest in the welfare of our students by the generous gift of $1000.00, to found a Bursary, to be named "The Charles Gurd Busary."

The Co-Operating Colleges

The number of students of all grades during the past session was 261. This, however, includes a number of extra-mural students. Forty-five men registered in the post graduate courses.

At the request of the Department of Graduate Studies of McGill University, the Faculty submitted a list of fourteen Theological Courses for which credit might be given to men taking the M. A. Course in McGill.

The Summer School for Rural improvement held last Autumn at Macdonald College, was one of the most successful in the series. Ninety five persons availed themselves of the privilege, of whom eighty were ministers. Arrangements have been made for the coming August. The Devotional Studies will be conducted by Dr. Ritchie. It is possible that in addition to the Ten-Day School for Rural Improvement, a longer session may be held next summer for the study of Theology and Pedagogy.

An important collection of Oriental Antiquities, known as the Garstang Collection, has been secured by the Joint Board of the Co-operating Colleges as the neucleus of a Biblical Museum. This will no doubt be added to from time to time and will prove an interesting and helpful aid in ministerial training.

The Ministers' Week

In September last, two groups of ministers again assembled for a week of devotion and study, under the leadership of Dr. Ritchie. In Ontario, the ministers met in Knox Presbyterian College, Toronto, kindly placed, by the authorities, at their disposal. The Quebec ministers met in our own College. A similar week will be held this coming September. The special study will be "The Atonement."

These gatherings are now aided by the Bible Lectureship Scholarship, established some years ago.

Theological Examinations

The Christmas and Sessional Examinations were held as usual. The men acquitted themselves very creditably. In no instance was there any failure.

The Rev. T. W. Jones, M. A., Pastor of Calvary Church, Montreal, successfully completed the Course for the degree of Batchelor of Sacred Theology, which was therefore granted him by the Senate, to be publicly conferred at the Convocation, which will be held next October, when the Rev. Dr. Selbie, Principal of Mansfield College, Oxford, is expected to be present for the Sessional Opening of the Co-operative College.

University Examinations

Ten of our Students attended classes in the University, one as a partial Student, eight as undergraduates, and one who was taking the course for the degree of Master of Arts.

The lengthening of the University Session has made it impossible for us to receive in time for this report the standing of our Students in the Sessional Examinations, except as regards the men of the final year. We are glad to report that Cecil Humphrey Whitmore, and Stanley Ralph

Collins graduated Batchelor of Arts at the recent convocation. Mr. Collins with Distinction, being awarded a Special Certificate. Mr. Dale Hendry Moore, B.A., was granted the degree of Master of Arts.

It is encouraging to find as the years go by, that though the number of our Students is never large, we do not lack for men of ability and consecration to uphold the tradition of this College as one that maintains a high standard of scholarship.

Church Union

Our College along with our Churches generally and the other denominational Societies, is of course. vitally affected by the proposed organic union of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational Churches in Canada. But the Colleges occupy a somewhat special position because of the different relations they maintain to their respective denominations. The basis of Union provides that all the Colleges shall, as far as possible, sustain the same relationship to the United Church as, under their charter, they now sustain to the respective Churches, until the General Council shall determine otherwise and necessary legislation shall give effect to changes made thereby.'

Meanwhile, and in anticipation of any such legislation, the Senate feels it to be both its duty and privilege to express its hearty approval of the proposed Union. The experience of the past twelve years during which we have in Montreal realized the great advantages accruing from the co-operation of Theological Colleges of different denominations in the training of men for the ministry, leads us to look most hopefully to the proposed union, as it will conduce to the raising of the standard of ministerial scholarship, the cultivation of a larger Christian spirit and the supplying of qualified men for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom in the world.

We would, however, remind our Churches that for the present, our College in Montreal, is the only one we have, and that it not only affords the best means of training men for the ministry in our Churches, but also provides the most effective means by which they may enter into the larger fellowship of service. There should be no restraining of the hand in giving and no slackening of devotion to the College, which for eighty-three years has served our Churches so well.

On behalf of the Senate,

W. Henry Warriner,

Registrar.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The Library has continued its quiet and effective service for the Professors and Students of our own and the other co-operating Colleges. One of the great advantages of the co-operation has been the introduction of a uniform system of catalogueing into each College and the formation of a common Catalogue at Divinity Hall, making the four libraries available for all.

Thirty-one new books have been added to the library by purchase. We also have to thank Dr. J. R. Dougall for about 125 volumes from his own library, and Mr. H. W. Barker for a number of volumes. The Rev. A. G. Sleep, of London, England, has kindly sent us the New English Congregational Quarterly for one year.

The Librarian gratefully acknowledges the kind co-operation of Student Ralph C. Collins, in the care of the Library.

The Financial Statement for the year ending May 31st, 1923, is as follows:—

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year	$140 55	
Books resold	1 00	
Interest on Endowment	50 25	
Bank Interest	4 06	
		$195 86

EXPENDITURE

Books and Periodicals	110 35	
Office Expenses	80	
		111 15
Balance on Hand		$ 84.71

W. Henry Warriner,
Librarian.

REPORT OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE

To The Board of Governors,
Congregational College of Canada.

Gentlemen;—

The House Committee reports that the physical features of the College are as satisfactory as could well be in consideration of the age of the building and its maintenance resources:

That the Steward and the Stewardess are gratifyingly capable and agreeable.

The Committee views with appreciation the helpful co-operation of The Ladies Auxiliary—and recommends the re-appointment, by request of the ladies, of the present members with the addition of Mesdames, D. S. Higginson, T. W. Jones, N. Driver and Lazenby.

The committee expresses warm appreciation of the support and co-operation of Principal Ritchie whose zeal and energy are such as to greatly relieve the committee from responsibility and loss of time.

Respectfully Submitted,
Charles Gurd,
Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Your Treasurer has to report a fairly good year. The Receipts on a/c of Revenue were only short of Expenditure by $2.98, increasing last years deficit by that much.

42	Ontario	Churches	remitted	$1434 35	last	year	48	Churches	$1342 53
16	Quebec	"	"	1630 13	"	"	16	"	1615 72
15	Maritime	"	"	132 40	"	"	17	"	184 95
7	North West	"	"	83 63	"	"	7	"	281 50
80	Churches		"	$3280 51	"	"	88	"	$3424 70
	Mrs. Miner			$1800 00					
				$5080 51					
	U. S. Old College Boy			15 00					
				$5095 51					

The Churches in Ontario remitting the largest amounts were Hamilton 1st, $330.00; Lanark $125.00; Brantford $125.00; Guelph $100.00. In Quebec, Montreal Emmanuel $751.00; Sherbrooke $222.00; Montreal Calvary $180.31; Granby $123.32.

This year it was decided to re-arrange the Bursaries. Most had an amount to their Credit which would never be used, so some were increased in amount, yielding a larger annual prize and others the amounts were used to create two New Bursaries, one called the Maintenance, yielding $20.00 a year to help pay the room rent of all Students attaining a certain standard, the other, Minister's College Week to help pay the lectureship and expenses.

The Smart Estate is being slowly disposed of. So far it has taken nearly all the receipts to pay expenses.

The Neamton Property has been disposed of with a loss amounting to $3,932,55. This is practically the only loss we have had on the investments in over 30 years.

The Endowment Fund shows a decrease of $1,040.80 in the Assets.

The Investments are all in good shape.

The Statements duly audited are herewith presented.

Thos. Moodie, Treasurer.

P.S.—Since closing the books I have received from our Chairman, Mr. Charles Gurd, his cheque for one thousand dollars, to create the "Charles Gurd Bursary." The Bursary to be at the Principal's decision.

Thomas Moodie.

CASH ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year		$ 1,592 99
Interest and Dividends	$ 8,873 41	
Less Outstanding	640 00	
		8,233 41
Subscription Interest		17 68
Collections		5,095 51
Room Rent		290 00
McGill Fees Refund		53 60
Smart Estate Sales		3,987 14
		$ 19,270 33

EXPENDITURES

Teaching Account	$ 7,828 50
Students	1,978 72
Buildings	1,485 87
Management	1,513 69
Interest	136 90
Prizes and Bursaries	342 50
Y. P. S. Lectureship	104 00
Maintenance	120 00
Ogilvie Milling Co.	43 32
Smart Estate Taxes	798 63
Neamton Property Taxes	162 73
Loan from Endowment Fund	1,653 28
C. P. F. S. on Account Loans	362 98
Loan Repaid	2,000 00
Balance	739 21
	$ 19,270 33

REVENUE ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Interest from Endowment Fund	$8,610 91	
on Subscriptions	17 68	
		$ 8,628 59
Collections, Ontario	$1,434 35	
Quebec	3,430 13	
Maritime	132 40	
North West	83 63	
United States	15 00	
		5,095 51
Room Rent		290 00
McGill Fees Refund		53 60
		$14,067 70
Balance		3,709 92
		$17,777 62

EXPENDITURES

Deficit from last year		$ 3,706 94
Teaching		
Principal Ritchie	$3,500 00	
Professor Warriner	3,000.00	
Preparatory Class	375 00	
McGill Fees	953 50	
		7,828 50
Students		
Proportion Maintenance		1,978 72
College Buildings		
Proportion Maintenance	$ 500 00	
Repairs	494 59	
Furnishing	145 68	
Insurance	345 60	
		1,485 87
Management		
Office Expenses	$ 592 29	
Congregationalist	200 00	
Union Guarantee	700 00	
Travelling	21 40	
		1,513 69
Interest		
Library	$ 50 25	
C.P.F.S.	200 68	
Mortgage	86 65	
		337 58
Lectureships		
Y.P.S.	$ 200 00	
Mrs. M. McKechnie	120 00	
		320 00
Prizes and Bursaries		563 00
Ogilvie Milling Co. S. F.		43 32
		$17,777 62

ENDOWMENT FUND

RECEIPTS

Cash Balance Last Year	$ 2,627 71
Loan to Current account repaid	1,653 28
Mortgages repaid	5,500 00
Legacy Mrs. Stibbs	500 00
Neamton Property Sold	3,600 00
Colonial Investment & Loan Co.	120 00
Zion Memorial Bursary	250 00
Danville, Urbana C. R. Bonds	7,000 00
Ogilvie Milling Co. S. F.	43 32
Bursaries	1,616 75
	$ 22,911.06

EXPENDITURES

Mortgages	$ 9,000 00
Neamton Property Expenses	2,532 55
Balance	11,378 51
	$ 22,911.06

ASSETS

Mortgages	$ 72,000 00
Illinois Traction Co. 6% Pref.	2,400 00
Illinois Traction Co., Common	325 00
Colonial Invest. & Loan Co.	130 00
Dominion Textile Co. 6% Bonds	2,000 00
Montreal Light, Heat & Power Co. 5%	3,980 00
Dominion Coal Co. 7% Pref.	12,643 35
Ogilvie Milling Co. 6% Bonds	12,454 83
Dominion War Loan 5½% Bonds	4,955 40
Jacksonville Railway & Light Co., 5% Bonds	4,500 00
Bloomington, Decateur & C. Railway 5% Bonds	1,000 00
Bank of Montreal Stock	7,805 50
Montreal Tramways Co. 5% Debentures	1,492 00
Laurentide Co. Stock	1,000 00
Cash in Banks	11,378 51
	$ 138,064 59
Assets, 1922	139,105 39
Decrease	1,040 80

THOMAS MOODIE,
Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,
FRANK G. ELLIS,
Auditor.

Montreal, 3rd June, 1923.

LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS

Ontario.

Barrie	$ 10 00
Brantford	125 00
Burford	10 00
Cobourg	85 00
Coldsprings	10 50
Embro	12 50
Forest Central	13 00
" Lake Shore	9 00
" Plympton	3 00
Frome	20 02
Garafraxa	3 00
Guelph	100 00
Hamilton 1st	330 00
" Immanuel	5 00
Kingston 1st	20 00
" Bethel	24 28
" Calvary	15 00
Lanark	125 00
London 1st	20 26
London-Southern	6 25
Maxville	52 50
Middleville	12 09
Hopetown	4 80
Rosetta	5 29
New. Durham	10 00
Ottawa 1st	50 00
Ottawa Wel. Zion	25 00
Scotland	18 25
Sherkston	25 00
Stratford	35 00
Toronto Bond	25 00
" United	61 55
" Birchcliff	25 00
" Broadview	75 27
Bloomingdale	12 58
West Montrose	1 80
Freeport	6 00
Zion	10 00
Low Banks	10 00
Elcho	2 00
Diltz Road	2 25
Bethel	3 16
2 Personals	15 00
	$1,434 35

Quebec.

Ayer's Cliff	45 00
Brigham	13 00
Cowansville	22 00
Danville	35 50
Farnham Centre	5 00
Fitch Bay	28 00
Granby	123 32
Melbourne	25 00
Montreal Emmanuel	751 00
" Calvary	180 31
" Pt. St. Charles	20 00
" Amherst Pk	20 00
" Crystal Springs	15 00
Sherbrooke	222 00
Stanstead South	25 00
Personal W. H. Miner	100 00
	$1,630 13
Mrs. S. H. C. Miner	1,800 00
	$3,430 13

Maritime.

Baker's Settlement	1 05
Brooklyn	8 25
Chebogue	7 00
Keswick Ridge	16 00
Kingsport	10 06
Liverpool	10 00
Margaree	8 00
Milton	7 10
Noel	5 00
South Maitland	2 30
Lower Selma	5 00
Pleasant River	1 71
Hemford	3 50
Sheffield	22 60
Yarmouth	20 00
Union N.S. & N. B.	4 83
	$ 132 40

North West.

Victoria, B.C.	10 00
Vancouver 1st	24 40
Carlton Union Sask.	7 00
Kitsilano, B.C.	10 00
Westerham Leader	7 25
Walsh, Alta.	5 70
Russo-German	19 28
	$ 83 63

United States.

	15 00

Recapitulation.

Ontario	$1,434 35
Quebec	3,430 13
Maritime	132 40
North West	83 63
United States	15 00
	$5,095 51

ANNUAL GATHERING OF THE UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK AND OF THE MARITIME BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD, BEACH MEADOWS, N.S., JULY 4th to 8th, 1923.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK

The Seventy-Six Annual Meeting was held in the Beach Meadows Church, commencing on Wednesday, July 6th.

The Chairman of the Union, Rev. C. T. Tavener, presided, and Messrs. Dale H. Moore and Ralph Barker were appointed minute secretaries.

A cordial address of welcome was extended to the visitors by Rev. Geo. W. Ball, acting pastor at Beach Meadows, and responded to by J. W. Flewwelling, of St. John, for the delegates.

"Living Issues" was the title of an address given by the retiring chairman, Rev. Campbell Tavener, of Lower Selmah.

On Thursday morning, Rev. J. L. Alexander conducted the opening devotional service.

The roll call showed that delegates were present from all but one church in the Union.

The following were elected as honorary members: Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D., Toronto; Rev. J. L. Alexander, Hamilton; Rev. T. W. Jones, Westmount; Rev. T. C. Crosby, Wilmot; Rev. Horace Peckover, Brooklyn.

The secretary reported 17 churches connected with the Union, with about 700 members. Value of property, $85,000.00, all clear of indebtedness. $9,000.00 raised during year for local church purposes, and over $2,000.00 for benevolent purposes. Sunday schools report 500 members enrolled, while young people's societies have 228 members.

The treasurer reported total receipts $1,034.23, and a balance on hand of $66.02.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Chairman for 1924, Rev. Geo. W. Ball, Liverpool, N.S.; Secretary, J. W. Flewwelling, St. John, N.B.,; Treasurer, A. E. Williams, Yarmouth, N.S.

Rev. Churchill Moore of Keswick Ridge, N.B., was received into membership by letter of transfer from the Quebec Association.

One of the most important matters dealt with by the Union was the Church Union Resolution. In introducing this, Mr. Flewwelling briefly outlined the history of the movement. A. E. Williams also spoke of some of the results which would follow the consummation of Church Union.

The resolution which was unanimously adopted, approves of the basis of union and provides for the procuring of necessary legislature in order to effect and consummate the union of the three bodies.

"Christianity and the Social Consciousness" was the subject of an instructive address given by Rev. J. W. O'Brien, of Yarmouth.

An address was given by Dale H. Moore, of Sheffield, N.B., entitled, "The Value of the Churches to the College." The speaker made a strong plea to the churches to be on the lookout for young men to enter the college as students for the ministry.

A stirring address on work among young people was given by Rev. J. Lambert Alexander, of Hamilton, Chairman of the Congregational Union of Canada.

The Budget for Home and Foreign Missions was discussed, and it was decided to ask the churches to raise $1,400.00 for denominational purposes.

Rev. Campbell Tavener was appointed representative on the Maritime Religious Work Council.

An invitation from the church in Keswick Ridge, N.B., to meet there in 1924 was accepted.

A statement prepared by the Forward Movement Executive Secretary, H. W. Barker, showed that the churches of this Union had subscribed $4,553.54 to this fund, of which $4,263.57 had been paid.

On Sunday morning, the Union Sermon was delivered by Rev. J. M. Hooker, of Pleasant River. The observance of the Lord's Supper followed, Rev. Geo. W. Ball, presiding.

Rev. T. W. Jones, of Westmount, gave an eloquent address at the Young People's meeting in the afternoon on, "The Privileges and Responsibilities of these Wonderful Days." The speaker made an earnest appeal to his hearers to accept responsibility for service through the church.

At the closing session a large audience gathered to hear Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D., of Toronto, General Secretary of the denomination.

The thanks of the Union were extended to the friends in Beach Meadows for their kindness in providing entertainment, and the meeting adjourned to convene in Keswick Ridge, in 1924.

J. W. FLEWWELLING,
Secretary.

CANADA CONGREGATIONAL WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS

Honorary President:—Mrs. M. M. Savage, 61 Guilbault Street, Montreal.

President:—Mrs. Thos. H. Hill, 43 Tecumseh Avenue, London.

Vice-President-at-large:—Acting President, Mrs. C. R. Crowe, 284 Woolwich Street, Guelph.

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Recording Secretary:—Miss Laura M. Miatt, 63 Forest Hill Road, Toronto.

Secretary and Editor of "Monthly Leaflet":—Miss Effie A. Jamieson, 137 Confederation Life Building Toronto.

Treasurer:—Mrs. M. H. Haight, 18 Boswell Avenue, Toronto.

Superintendents and Conveners, 1923-1924:—

Home Missions, Miss Katherine M. Lighthall, Emmanuel Church, Montreal; Foreign Missions Supplies, Miss E. E. Snarr, 60 St. Mary Street, Toronto; Literature, Mrs. W. G. Anderson, 387 Glencairn Avenue, Toronto; Missionary Reading, Mrs. Peter Munro, Maxville, Ont.; Baby Bands, Mrs. Edgar Eddy, 9 Duggan Avenue, Toronto; Mission Bands, Mrs. D. McEwen, Maxville, Ont.; Mission Circles, Mrs. Robert Wightman, 6 Montclair Avenue, Toronto; Associate Members, Miss Helen M. Wright, 34 McGill College Avenue, Montreal; Librarian, Miss Margaret Moodie, 157 Northcliff Avenue. N. D. G., Montreal; Systematic Giving, Mrs. A. J. Heath, 381 Westhill Avenue, Montreal, Quebec; Labrador Supplies, Miss Mary Allen, 13 Cumberland Street, Toronto; Prayer Union, Mrs. J. T. Daley, Port Hope, Ont.; Publications Committee, Miss Muriel Wilson, Montreal; Finance Committee, Mrs. John Wickson, 40 Wychwod Park, Toronto.

Finance Committee:—Mrs. John Wickson, Mrs. Walter E. Booth, Toronto, Miss L. Silcox, Toronto, with the Board Treasurer, the Branch Treasurer and the President and Secretary, ex-officio.

Library Committee:—Miss Margaret Moodie, Librarian, Miss Eva Warriner, Mrs. Fraser Gurd, Mrs. E. C. Woodley, all of Montreal.

Business Committee:—Mrs. W. D. Lighthall, Calvary Church, Montreal.

Resolutions Committee:—Mrs. John Leslie, 4270 Western Avenue, West-Mount, Quebec.

CONDENSED MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE C.C.W.B.M.

The Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions, convened in Stratford Church on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, May 29th, 30th and 31st, 1923.

There were officers, delegates, life members and visiting friends registered.

The Executive met on Tuesday afternoon, from 3 to 6 o'clock.

The Opening Meeting on Tuesday evening was the Young People's Session, with the Vice-President, Mrs. Crowe, presiding. The Girls' Mission Circles of Stratford, assisted by Scripture reading, the rendering of a chorous and a duet. Miss Sibyl Hosking, under appointment to Angola as a Nurse, gave an address—"My Missionary Purpose". Mrs. Robert Wightman of Toronto, the new Superintendent of Girls' Circles, was the second speaker of the evening, her subject; "Heroines of the Cross". The President, Mrs. Hill, also spoke a few words to the young people.

The opening Session on Wednesday morning was led in devotions by the President, Mrs. Thomas Hill, whose message was a challenge to greater service.

On recommendation of the Executive, Mrs. W. G. Martin of Brantford, and Miss Lighthall of Montreal were appointed Minute Secretaries and the various Committees for the Convention were chosen.

The reports of the Superintendents were presented and were full of cheer, good work accomplished, with desire for better service still, in the future. The Home Mission Supplies had the best report ever presented. Foreign Mission Supplies had an inspiring report, for in addition to the usual supplies, the equipment for the new Hospital at Chisamba had been sent out. There were also much inspiration in the reports of the departments among the children and the young people. Thus throughout, the work of the Board in all departments, progress was noted and optimism prevailed.

The address of welcome in the afternoon was presented by Mrs. G. A. Mackenzie, and was most cordial, as with much warmth of expression she bade the Board and its members welcome to Stratford Church and homes. This was followed by the Annual Address of the President, Mrs. Hill, letters of greeting from former workers, Mrs. M. M. Savage and Miss Edith Clark, were read and reciprocal messages ordered sent to these leaders who had served the Board so well in the past.

The Secretary's report covered the work of the year, new Departments had been established and gave promise of much service for the future, there had been growth in organization, especially among the children. Baby Bands, Mission Bands and also some organization of Girl's Circles among the young ladies and senior girls. The staff of Missionaries had grown to nine workers and with the appointment of Miss Hosking, we have a staff of ten workers.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Mrs. Haight. Even though we had not attained our objective and had been compelled to close the year with a deficit in our pledged work of $624.00, still there was cause for gratitude that we had gifts approximating $15,145.05, the largest sum ever raised by the Board. The budget for next year, $17,700.00, was accepted with enthusiasm and a grim determination to this time attain the objective.

The periods of worship were conducted by Miss Silcox and Mrs. Boehmer and followed the thought of our need of God and God's need of us, God our Sufficiency, we His co-workers. These thoughts seem to permeate all our Sessions and gave courage to face cheerfully the greater work which lies just ahead.

Greetings were sent to our Missionaries in their far off Field, great pleasure was expressed at the presence with us of Miss Diadem Bell, one of the Senior missionaries, whose addresses were a matter of much inspiration to all. She spoke on the supbjects of "Changing Womanhood" and "The Native Church in Angola."

The important matter of action to be taken in order to bring our Board into line for Church Union, was presented, and by an overwhelming majority it was voted that we authorize the Congregational Union of Canada to act for u in the coming legislation covering Church Union, thus bringing ourselves in line for the new United Church.

The Executive presented for consideration of the Board members, the suggestion that we approach the Woman's Board of the Interior, offering if the Mission approved, to take over Means School for Girls at Dondi, the funds to be raised by a special campaign among the women of our churches.

It was agreed that the Executive should be empowered to continue negotiations and to proceed with this matter should an answer in the affirmative be received.

One very happy Session was the last afternoon, when after an open Conference on Methods, the Baby Band and Mission Band hour was held, Mrs. Hill giving an address to the babies and mothers and Miss Bell to the Mission Band. A programme of songs and pageants was presented by the children.

This year there was established the custom of having a Communion Service, the Pastor of the Church, Rev. G. A. Mackenzie administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on Wednesday evening. This service will be continued from year to year.

At the closing Session, the President presided, devotional period was taken by Mrs. F. A. Steven of London, Mrs. Ira W. Pierce, of Cranby, addressed the meeting on the subject of "Life Contrasts in Christian and Mohammedan Faiths", and Miss Bell gave the closing address, and Rev. G. A. Mackenzie pronounced the benediction.

A cordial invitation was received from Emmanuel Church, Montreal, to meet with them next year and the invitation was gratefully accepted.

SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE C.C.W.B.M.

For Year Ending May 15th, 1923.

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand, May 15th, 1922—		
Special Funds	$ 2,724.47	
Less General Fund Deficit	98.94	
		$ 2,625.53
Guelph Branch	$ 882.99	
London Branch	1,458.62	
Maritime Branch	886.11	
Ottawa Branch	1,513.30	
Paris Branch	1,282.17	
Quebec Branch	3,483.64	
Toronto Branch	3,784.93	
West Branch	1,433.33	
Miscellaneous	420.46	
		$15,145.55
		$17,771.08

DISBURSEMENTS

GENERAL EXPENSES:		
Annual and Executive meetings, Bank charges, Office rent, printing and stationery, publications, Secretary's salary and travelling, Baby Band Expenses	$ 3,055.99	
FOREIGN:		
Missionaries' Salaries, annuities, house funds, travelling, depuation work of Miss Bell, etc.	$ 6,829.14	
Africa, Education of Boys and Girls, native teachers, Hospital supplies, balance of undertaking for new Hospital, etc., etc.	2,472.10	
		$12,357.23

SPECIAL:		
Zululand, South Africa	$ 103.00	
India	175.31	
China	209.00	
South and Central America	39.44	
Miscellaneous, including Federated Fees, Armenian Relief, grant to Board Library, etc.	165.50	
		692.25
HOME:		
Home Mission grant to C.C.M.S., including Foreign and New Work in the West	$ 1,500.00	
Labrador	129.25	
Northwest Medical Supplies	15.45	
		1,644.70
		$14,694.18
Special Funds on hand	$ 3,701.16	
Less Pledged work deficit	624.26	
		3,076.90
		$17,771.08

CONGREGATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD, 1923-24.

Chairman—Charles Gurd, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—Arthur Birks, Esq.
Secretary—W. H. Black, Esq., Bell Telephone Co., Montreal.
Treasurer—Thomas Moodie, Esq., 30 St. John Street, Montreal.
Auditor—John Anderson, Esq.

Board of Directors—Mr. S. H. Alexander, Hamilton, Mr. W. E. Booth, Toronto, Mr. Arthur Birks, Mr. W. H. Black, Mr. Chas. Gurd, Dr. W. D. Lighthall, Mr. T. B. Macaulay, Mr. Thos. Moodie, Mr. A. McA. Murphy, Mr. W. A. Wood, Montreal.
Member of Conditional Gifts Committee—Mr. Thos. Moodie.

W. & O. Branch, 5 *Annuitants*

Mrs. Jane Peacock, Mrs. M. E. Sanderson, Mrs. M. B. Bolton, Mrs. E. M. Hobbs, Mrs. C. E. Margrett.

31 *BENEFICIARIES*

Rev. W. T. Gunn, D.D.
" G. Ellery Read, D.D.
" T. A. Munroe.
" J. Lambert Alexander
" R. Wilson Carr
" A. E. Teale
" Frank Sanders
" J. T. Tucker
Dr. Reuben Hall
Rev. A. L. Richards
" G. F. Kelly
" J. T. Daley, D.D.
" H. J. Horsey
" G. H. Craik
" G. W. Ball
" H. D. Whitmore
Rev. A. E. Mann
" James Plant
" I. W. Pierce
" T. W. Jones, B.D.
" W. H. Warriner, D.D.
" A. F. Pollock
" J. W. Newbery
" T. DeC. Rayner
" P. V. Sampson
" M. H. Sanderson
" J. Arthur Steed
" W. Cox
" M. T. Walker
" J. A. Hochstatter
" W. H. Thomas

CARRIED UNDER BY-LAW III CLAUSE I.

Rev J. G. Hindley
" H. J. Kilbourn
Rev. W. E. Gilroy
" Prof. E. A. Cook

R. M. BRANCH

One Annuitant, Rev. Hugh Pedley, D.D.

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" John Lyall
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" J. E. Lloyd

Rev. James Plant
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" P. V. Samson
" W. H. Sanderson
" J. Arthur Steed
" W. Cox
Dr. Reuben Hall
Rev. E. G. Warren
" H. N. Jackson
Mrs. W. T. Currie
Miss H. J. Melville
" M. W. Melville
" Diadem Bell

BY-LAWS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY

General By-laws

I.—MEMBERSHIP

1. *As Beneficiary Members*—Ministers duly received by the Society through either of the branches hereinafter mentioned, and retaining their membership in connection with either fund in accordance with its by-laws.

2. *As Life Members*—Any person not being Beneficiary Members, who shall have paid to the fund Twenty Dollars at one time.

3. *As Annual Members*—Churches collecting for the fund, to be represented at the annual meeting, or at any special meeting held in the year following the payment of their collection, by one delegate, who shall not be a Beneficiary Member.

II.—ADMISSION OF BENEFICIARY MEMBERS

1. Any Congregational Minister in Canada who is in good standing in the denomination and the Pastor of a Congregational Church or a Missionary of the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society, or a Professor in the Congregational College of Canada, may be admitted as a Beneficiary Member of either branch of the fund by a majority of four-fiifths of the Directors present at any meeting of the Board.

2. Before confirming the admission of any applicants, the Board of Directors may, if they think it necessary, make enquiries concerning their general health; and if the result of their enquiries proves unsatisfactory the Directors may either decline to confirm the reception, or require such additional remuneration as, in their opinion, would be sufficient to cover the extra risk.

III.—TERMINATION OF BENEFICIARY MEMBERSHIP

1. Any Beneficiary Member, not an annuitant, ceasing to reside in Canada, shall thereby lose beneficiary claim on either fund, but the amount of his annual subscription to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund shall be placed to the credit of his family, under the condition of Article No. XII., then to accumulate with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum until his death, when it shall be paid to such person or persons as may be lawfully entitled to receive it. Beneficiary members of the Retiring Ministers' Branch, ceasing to reside in Canada, shall cease to have beneficiary claim, but may, in special cases, receive relief from the fund to the amount of their subscriptions to the fund.

2. Any Beneficiary Member leaving the Ministry or the denomination shall thereby forfeit all claim upon the fund, unless he has been a member for ten years; but after having paid ten years' annual subscriptions he shall have the privilege of withdrawing from the Society, and receiving as surrender value of his claim on its fund, an amount based upon the reasons of his withdrawal, as follows: If he leaves the country, but not the ministry of the denomination, he shall be paid three-fourths of the total amount of his annual subscriptions; if he enters the ministry of another denomination, he shall receive one-half of the total subscriptions paid; if he leaves the ministry, he shall be entitled to two-fifths of the total subscriptions paid. But no member shall be entitled to receive anything from the Society if he was not in good standing in the Congregational Union of Canada at the time of his withdrawal from the denomination or ministry.

3. Any Beneficiary Member who may have been connected with the Society, as such, for a period of not less than five years, and who has paid all his annual premiums may, if he so desires, withdraw his membership from the Society, and claim a refund of two-fifths of the amount of the premiums paid in by him, if wife is still living.

IV.—RE-ADMISSION OF BENEFICIARY MEMBERS

1. Any member returning to Canada (if permitted to resume his connection with the Widows' and Orphans' Branch) shall pay all arrears and an additional rate of 20 cents per annum for each year of his absence, and the amount accumulated to the credit of his family shall relapse to the fund.

2. Any member resuming his connection with the Retiring Ministers' Branch shall do so on conditions to be arranged by the Directors.

V.—MEETINGS

1. An annual meeting of the Society shall be held at the same time and place as that of the Congregational Union of Canada, at which a report from the Directors and the Treasurer's accounts shall be presented, Directors elected for the ensuing year and any other general business of the Society transacted.

2. Special meetings of the Society may be held at its pleasure, expressed at any meeting thereof, or at the call of the Directors.

3. Beneficiary Members, in connection with either branch of the Fund, shall be entitled to attend and vote at all meetings of the Society.

4. In case of a division, a majority of two-thirds shall be necessary to constitute a vote.

VI.—MANAGEMENT

1. The funds of the Society shall be held and managed by a Board of ten Directors (five to form a quorum), eight residing in or near the City of Montreal, to be elected annually by the Society.

2. The Directors, when elected, shall, from their own numbers, choose a Chairman, Deputy-Chairman, Treasurer, and Secretary, and may make such standing rules for their own guidance (not being inconsistent with the Act of Incorporation and its amendments or by-laws), as they may deem needful, subject to the approval of the Society at the next annual meeting.

3. They shall also have power to fill vacancies in their own number, shall be eligible for re-election, and shall hold office until their successors are appointed and assume their duties.

VII.—INCOME AND INVESTMENTS

1. The funds of the Society shall be derived from Annual Church Collections, Subscriptions, Donations and Legacies, the rates paid by Beneficiary Members, and the proceeds of investments.

2. The amount received for Church Collections, or otherwise contributed for the general purposes of the Society, shall be divided between the Branches at the discretion of the Board; but money contributed from any source, and especially designated for either Branch, shall be so applied.

3. The Funds shall be invested only in undoubted securities to be held on the Society's behalf by the Chairman or Deputy-Chairman and the Treasurer, in the name of the Incorporated Society.

4. Any investments or transfers from one investment to another shall be made only by vote of the Board.

5. The Treasurer shall give such security to the Board for the funds in his possession as they may from time to time require.

VIII.—DISPUTED CASES

In the case of any dispute arising between Beneficiary Members or Annuitants and the Directors of the Society, each party shall choose an arbitrator, and these, if necessary, an umpire, whose decisions shall be final.

IX.—REVISAL OF RATES AND ANNUITIES

The amount of the rates of premiums and annuities shall be reconsidered at each fifth annual meeting, reckoning from that held in 1863, and should any re-adjustment be needed such re-adjustment shall not be deemed to be a violation of good faith by any parties whatsoever.

X.—ALTERATION OF BY-LAWS

The By-laws of the Society may be enacted, amended or repealed at any annual meeting, provided that notice to such effect has been given at the previous annual meeting. But this shall not apply to the case provided for in By-law IX.

Widows' and Orphans' Branch

XI.—BENEFICIARY SUBSCRIPTIONS

The following shall be the scale of rates, payable annually, by Beneficiary Members of the Widows' and Orphans' Branch:—

1. By those received under thirty years of age, and by Alumni of the Congregational College of Canada, subscribing within twelve months from the date of their ordination, Ten Dollars.
2. By those received over thirty and under forty years of age, Twelve Dollars.
3. By those received over forty and under fifty years of age, Fourteen Dollars.
4. By those received over fifty and under sixty years of age, Sixteen Dollars.
5. By those received over sixty years of age, such a special rate as may be agreed to by the Society.
6. All subscriptions to be payable semi-annually on the 1st of January and July, and if not paid within three months, to be subject to a fine of $1. If not paid within twelve months, due notice having been given by the trustees, the minister so in arrears shall be held to have withdrawn from connection with the fund.
7. Any Beneficiary Member, who shall have paid thirty annual premiums, according to the above assessment, shall be exempt from further subscriptions, and shall maintain his status as a Beneficiary as before.

XII.—ANNUITIES

There shall be paid from the funds of the Society to the families of the Beneficiary Members the following annuities:—

1. To their Widows for life, or until re-marriage, Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars per annum.
2. To their Widows for each Son under the age of sixteen years, and for each Daughter under eighteen years Thirty-five Dollars, but Seventy Dollars for the youngest child.
3. To Guardians on behalf of Orphans, Seventy Dollars for the youngest and Forty-five Dollars for each other child, and two-thirds of what would have been payable to the Mother had she not deceased, until they attain the ages mentioned in the preceding section, provided, nevertheless, that the Directors shall have power to delay such payments to Guardians until they are satisfied that they will be properly applied.
4. It shall be competent for the Society, on recommendation of the Directors, to continue an annuity to an Orphan by special annual grant beyond the period named in Article 2, should there be special reasons for so doing.

Retiring Ministers' Branch

XIII.—BENEFICIARY SUBSCRIPTIONS

The following shall be the scale of rates, payable annually, by Beneficiary Members of the Retiring Ministers' Branch:—

1. By those received under thirty years of age, and by Alumni of the Congregational College of Canada, subscribing within 12 months from the date of their ordination, Four Dollars per annum.
2. Those received over 30 and under 35 years of age, Five Dollars per annum.
3. Those received over 35 and under 40 years of age, Six Dollars per annum.
4. Those received over 40 and under 45 years of age, Seven Dollars per annum.

5. Those received over 45 and under 50 years of age, Eight Dollars per annum.

6. Ministers over 50 years of age shall be received only on such terms as the Directors may agree to.

7. Ministers who may pay at once, or for whom may be paid by their Churches or by others, a sum equal to the amount of fifteen years' purchase, according to the age rate indicated above, may become Beneficiary Life Members.

XIV.—ANNUITIES

1. Beneficiary Members of this Branch having attained the age of 65 years and having been compelled to resign the active duties of the ministry, shall be entitled to an annuiry of $250 for life, payable quarterly, from the Retiring Ministers' Fund; but should there be any good or sufficient reason why it should not be paid—of which reason the Society shall be the sole and sufficient judge—it shall not be paid, anything in these by-laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

2. It shall be competent for the Society, on recommendation of the Directors, to increase the annuity for any Beneficiary Member by a special or annual grant, not exceeding the sum of $100 per annum additional, and said grant may be made for life, by regular vote, after 12 months' notice given at any annual meeting of the Society.

3. Should the income of either the Retiring Ministers' or Charitable Fund not be sufficient for the payment of annuities for which it is liable, it shall be right and proper for the Society to make such reduction, *pro rata*, on all annuities as will cover the deficiency, anything in these by-laws to the contrary notwithstanding.—See By-law XVI., Clause 2.

XV.—FELLOWSHIP BRANCH FUND

1. The proportion of Fellowship Branch Subscriptions, Donations, Legacies, and Church Collections available shall be placed to the credit of an account to be called the Fellowship Branch , until the sum of One Thousand Dollars is secured, the interest of which only shall be available for grants or annuities.

2. After $1,000 is secured, one-half of said Subscriptions, Collections, etc., shall be reserved to constitute an Endowment Fund, until the sum of $5,000 has been secured.

3. The other half with the proportion of interest due to this account, shall be available for grants or annuities; but should the income in any year exceed the disbursements of that year, the surplus, after allowing a small balance for contingencies, shall be added to the Endowment.

XVI.—FELLOWSHIP BRANCH FUND BENEFICIARIES

1. The Society may, from the Fellowship Branch Fund, make special or annual grants to any aged or infirm Congregational Minister laboring in Canada, though not a Beneficiary Member.

2. Should the Retiring Minister's Fund not be sufficient for the claims of annuitants, it shall be proper to supplement that Fund from the Fellowship Branch Fund.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING HELD IN FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, OTTAWA, JUNE 7th, 1923.

The annual meeting of the Congregational Provident Fund Society was held in First Congregational Church, Ottawa, on Thursday, June 7th, 1923 at 4.30 p.m.

Rev. A. F. Pollock, Pastor of First Congregational Church was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Mr. Alex. McA. Murphy of Montreal was appointed Secretary of the meeting.

Rev. T. W. Jones of Calvary Church, Montreal offered prayer.

The minutes of the last annual meeting by unanimous resolution were taken as read and adopted.

The annual report of the Directors as prepared by the Honorary-Secretary, Mr. W. H. Black, was received and adopted along with the annual report of the Treasurer, presented in person by Mr. Thos. Moodie, Honorary-Treasurer.

It was moved by Rev. Geo. E. Read, Sherbrooke, Que., seconded by Mr. Johnston of Hamilton and carried unanimously "that the Directors of the Soociety be authorized to take all necessary steps to amalgamate the Society with the sister organizations of similar character and purpose of the negotiating Presbyterian and Methodist Churches in accordance with the provisions of the basis of Union."

It was moved by Rev. T. W. Jones, seconded by Rev. W. H. Warriner, D.D. and carried unanimously that the members of the retiring Board be re-elected as follows:

Mr. W. D. Lighthall, 11 Place d'Armes, Montreal.
Mr. Chas. Gurd, 76 Bleury Street, Montreal.
Mr. W. A. Wood, 246 Hampton Avenue, N.D.G.
Mr. T. B. Macualay, Sun Life—Dominion Square, Montreal.
Mr. A. McA. Murphy, 76 Bleury Street, Montreal.
Mr. W. H. Black, c/o Bell Telephone Co., Montreal.
Mr. Arthur Birks, 39 Place d'Youville, Montreal.
Mr. Thomas Moodie, 30 St. John Street, Montreal.
Mr. W. E. Booth, 32 Warren Road, Toronto, Ont.
Mr. S. H. Alexander, 176 Hughson Street, S. Hamilton.

By unanimous resolution Mr. John Anderson was re-appointed auditor, and the thanks of the Society were recorderd for his appreciative services.

Mr. Thos. Moodie, was elected representative of the Society on the conditional gift committee.

Mr. Thos. Moodie, Honorary-Treasurer, submitted an actuarial report prepared by Mr. A. B. Wood, Chief Actuary of the Sun Life Assurance Company. Based upon this report and upon the recommendations of the Honorary-Treasurer it was unanimously resolved that the benefits payable to Widows be increased from $250.00 to $300.00 per annum.

The Actuary reported that the Society would not be justified at the moment in making an increase with respect to retired ministers.

Rev. Geo. Ellery Read, D.D. of Sherbrooke, Que., gave notice that he would introduce a motion at the next annual meeting to amend the by-laws respecting special cases.

It was moved by Rev. W. T. Gunn and seconded by Rev. Dr. W. H. Warriner, D.D. and carried unanimously, that the hearty thanks of the Society be tendered to Mr. Charles Gurd, its Chairman, for his handsome donation of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) to be divided in equal amounts between the Widows and Orphans Branch and the retiring Ministers branch.

A resolution of thinks was also passed to the retiring Directors,

The Meeting Adjourned. A. McA. Murphy, Secretary.

THE CONGREGATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY

The story of the past year is contained in the report of the Treasurer, and it should prove satisfactory in every respect but one. The one unsatisfactory feature is the meagre sum we are able to pay our Members. It is true that progress has been made, and that the Actuarial Study which is now proceeding will likely warrant a further increase. The fact remains, nevertheless, that a retiring allowance of anything less than $500 a year is absolutely inadequate. In view of what industry is doing for its workers, the Churches should take this matter more seriously to heart. The Churches require an educated ministry and strong leadership, and should not neglect this means of maintaining and increasing the standard of capacity and attainments by offering to those whose profession does not lend itself readily to the acquisition of wealth, some adequate assurance that when the ability to work has passed, the leisure of old age shall not be entirely unprovided for.

The character of the investments should command your confidence, and the return thereon, which is in the neighbourhood of 7%, is a tribute to the personal and painstaking work of the Chairman and the Treasurer. There is an increase in Assets during the year of over $7,600, and it would not be proper if we did not take this opportunity of thanking our Chairman, Mr. Charles Gurd, for his very generous gift which has added the very considerable sum of $1,000, one half of which has gone to the credit of the Retiring Ministers' Fund and one half to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. The Assets might be called a Reserve, since it is these funds which guarantee to the Annuitants and Beneficiaries the ability of the Society to continue the payments. It must be remembered that except for the return on our invesments and the very moderate fees, we have no guaranteed income. Other denominations require fixed percentages of the income of both the Church and the Minister, to be paid to Societies like ours, and under such a practice the Income is assured and a smaller reserve fund is required. We may say for ourselves that in relation to our obligations, our Assets are greater that others, but your Secretary at least is convinced enough to wish that we had the power to levy an adequate tribute both on the salaries of the ministers and the revenues of the Churches to provide more adequate pensions.

Perhaps under Union we may be in that happy condition.

The position of the Society under the projected Union with the Methodist and Presbyterian bodies will come before you at this Annual meeting. Your Board recommends that you should take such action as will indicate that you are prepared to take the necessary legal steps at such times as seems opportune, to merge your interests with those of the United Church of Canada.

You will also be called upon to elect a new Board of Directors and an Auditor.

W. H. Black,
Secretary.

Montreal, June 2nd, 1923.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Your Treasurer has to report a good year for the Society. But while there is an increase in the subscriptions of $139.88 there is a falling off in the number of Churches remitting. In Ontario five less, Maritime 6 less, Northwest the same number 3, Russo-German 3 less, Quebec an increase of 2, in all 12 less.

The contributions have been divided according to the new rule established last year, 40%, 40%, 20%.

In the W. and O. Branch, the increase in Assets amounts to $3,962.71. we have carried $3500.00 to Capital a/c leaving $716.00 at Cr. of Revenue a/c.

There are five Annuitants and thirty-one Beneficiaries, Rev. Leroy Rice having left the Country.

In the R. M. Branch the increase is $3639.03. We have transferred $2500.00 to a/c leaving $887.02 at Cr. of Renvenue a/c.

There is one Annuitant and thirty-seven Beneficiaries and one applicant Rev. H. Norman Jackson, who is recommended for acceptance by the Directors.

In the Fellowship Branch the increase is $283.67. We have transferred $333.97 to Capital a/c leaving $333.97 at Cr. of Revenue a/c.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BRANCH

RECEIPTS

Interest and Dividends	$5,049 93	
Less outstanding	632 50	$4,417 43
Collections		463 60
Beneficiaries		376 00
Bond repaid		1,000 00
C. Gurd		500 00
		$6,757 03

EXPENDITURE

Deficit last year	$ 264 97
Annuitants	1,328 75
Expenses	200 60
United Brethren Ass.	75 00
Mortgage	3,000 00
Balance	1,887 71
	$6,757 03

ASSETS

Mortgages	$25,500 00
St. Louis & Springfield Railway 5% Bonds	3,400 00
Montreal Loan & Mortgage Co., at 150%	6,825 00
Rèal Estate Loan Co.	600 00
Royal Bank of Canada	1,734 00
Bank of Montreal	3,286 00
Montreal Tramways Co. Stock	740 00
Montreal Tramways Co. 5% Debentures	414 00
War Bonds 1937 5½%	2,973 24
War Bonds, 1934, 5½%	23,196 14
Congregational College of Canada Loans	1,125 90
Outstanding Interest	632 50
Cash	1,887 71
	$72,314 49
Assets 1922	68,351 78
Increase	$3,962 71

RETIRING MINISTERS' BRANCH

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year		$6,792 91
Interest and Dividends	$2,737 66	
Less outstanding	605 50	2,132 16
Collections		463 60
Beneficiaries		235 00
Bond repaid		1,000 00
C. Gurd		500 00
Congregation College of C.		164 43
		$11,288 10

EXPENDITURE

Annuitants	$ 250 00
Expenses	100 29
Mortgage	6,800 00
Rev. C. C. Claris refund	30 00
Balance	4,107 81
	$11,288 10

ASSETS

Mortgages	$24,300 00
Montreal Loan & Mortgage Co. at 150%	5,100 00
Real Estate Loan Co.	501 40
Royal Bank of Canada	856 00
Montreal Tramways Co. Stock	740 00
Montreal Tramways Co. 5% Debentures	414 00
Laurentide Co.	1,000 00
Loan to C. C. of C.	1,976 07
Cash	4,107 87
Outstanding Interest	605 50
	$39,600 84
Assets 1922	35,961 81
Increase	$3,639 03

FELLOWSHIP BRANCH

RECEIPTS

Balance last year		$1,584 27
Interest	$51 83	
Less outstanding	42 00	9 83
Collections		231 84
		$1,825 94

LIABILITIES

Mortgages	$1,200 00
Balance	625 94
	$1,825 94

ASSETS

Mortgages	$1,200 00
Outstanding Interest	42 00
Cash	625 94
	$1,867 94

THOMAS MOODIE,
Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,

JOHN ANDERSON,
Auditor.

1st June, 1923.

CONGREGATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND

Ontario, Eastern	
Kingston Calvary	$ 16 30
" First	20 00
Ottawa First	25 00
" Wel. Zion	20 00
Maxville	16 50
Lanark	75 00
	172 80
Ontario Central	
Barrie	5 00
Coldsprings	10 00
Toronto	
Birchcliff	10 00
Broadview	17 57
United	45 00
	87 57
Ontario, Western	
Brantford	20 00
Embro	5 00
Forest Central	5 00
Frome	5 02
Garafraxa	3 25
Speedside	5 00
Guelph	15 00
Hamilton First	71 59
" Immanuel	10 00
London First	10 00
Scotland	5 25
Stratford	5 00
Watford	10 00
Elcho	1 25
Diltz Road	2 00
Sherkston	5 00
Bloomingdale	7 25
West Montrose	4 00
Freeport	2 50
	192 11
Quebec	
Ayer's Cluff	15 00
Cowansville	10 00
Danville	12 00
Fitch Bay	13 00
Granby	43 50
Melbourne	40 00
Stanstead South	15 00
Sherbrooke	115 00
Montreal	
Amherst Pk	5 00
Calvary	81 42
Emmanuel	270 55
Pt. St. Charles	10 00
	630 47
Maritime	
Brooklyn	3 00
Chebogne	2 50
Liverpool	5 00
Lower Selmah	2 50
Noel	2 50
Margaree	3 75
Pleasant River	2 31
Baker's Settlement	47
Hemford	2 37
Yarmouth	10 00
Sheffield	7 50
	41 90
North West	
Vancouver	15 55
Kitsilans	5 00
Victoria	5 00
German Conference	3 50
Hopefield	1 50
Calgary Ebenezar	3 64
	34 19
Recapitulation	
Ontario	
Eastern	172 80
Central	87 57
Western	192 11
Total Ontario	452 48
Quebec	630 47
Maritime	41 90
North West	34 19
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Apportional	
W. & O. B. 4/10	463 60
R. M. B. 4/10	463 60
F. B., 2/10	231 84
	1159 04

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Zion, Trochu, Alta....	"	Geo. Schmidt, Trochu, Alta.
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Immanuel, Hilda, Alta.	"	Andrew Bayerbach, Hilda, Alta.
Matthew, Schuler, Alta.	"	John Lindeman, Schuler, Alta.
Hoffmung, Schuler, Alta.	"	Fred Renke, Schuler, Alta.
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Zion, Leader, Sask....	"	H. H. Nitschke, Leader, Sask.
Bethlehem, Eatonia, Sask.	"	Daniel Bader, Eatonia, Sask.
Friedens, Hanna, Sask.	Jacob Kessler	Gottfried Faechner, Hanna, Sask.
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St. Paul's Sagathun, Sask.	"	Gotfried Frey, Sagathun, Sask.
Grace, Surprise, Sask.	"	John Ebel, Surprise, Sask.
St. John, Kincorth, Alta.	"	Jacob Hehr, Kincorth, Alta.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR 1922 (CALENDAR YEAR)

UNDER PASTORAL CARE—

Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	2,999
Quebec	5,921
Eastern Ontario	2,004
Central Ontario	5,015
Western Ontario	6,514
Western Provinces	8,603
Total	31,056

Decrease from 1921—1093

MEMBERSHIP—

Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	677
Quebec	2,736
Eastern Ontario	986
Central Ontario	2,193
Western Ontario	3,139
Western Provinces	3,031
Total	12,762

Increase over 1921—590.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLMENT, TEACHERS AND SCHOLARS—

Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	774
Quebec	2,056
Eastern Ontario	936
Central Ontario	1,775
Western Ontario	2,890
Western Provinces	2,701
Total	11,132

Increase over 1921—614.

MEMBERS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL WHO UNITED WITH THE CHURCH—

Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	5
Quebec	45
Eastern Ontario	12
Central Ontario	39
Western Ontario	45
Western Provinces	54
Total	200

Dencrease from 1921—270.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

MEMBERSHIP—

Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	236
Quebec	379
Eastern Ontario	138
Central Ontario	266
Western Ontario	569
Western Provinces	622
Total	2,210

Decrease from 1921—59.

United with the Church from Young People's Societies—	
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	3
Quebec	8
Eastern Ontario	3
Central Ontario	42
Western Ontario	30
Western Provinces	34
Total	120

Decrease from 1921—36.

FINANCES

Value of Church Property—	Value	Debt.
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	$ 81,000 00	$ 33 00
Quebec	582,000 00	33,200 00
Eastern Ontario	166,000 00	18,185 00
Central Ontario	477,500 00	49,750 00
Western Ontario	325,400 00	21,371 00
Western Provinces	557,100 00	81,902 00
Total	$2,189,000 00	$204,441 00
Decrease from 1921—	47,300 00	Inc. 3,708 00

Amount Raised for all Purposes—	Total
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	$ 16,028 00
Quebec	85,764 00
Eastern Ontario	20,553 00
Central Ontario	60,022 00
Western Ontario	56,752 00
Western Provinces	67,638 00
Total	$306,757 00

Decrease from 1921—$55,275 00.

Amount Raised in Sunday School—	1921	1922
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	$ 680 68	$ 587 00
Quebec	3,615 17	4,353 00
Ontario Eastern	1,794 43	1,794 00
Ontario Central	3,907 68	4,079 00
Ontario Western	5,477 50	4,866 00
Western Provinces	3,589 42	2,992 00
Total	$19,064 88	$18,671 00

Decrease from 1921—$393 00.

Young People's Societies—		
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	$ 187 65	$ 152 00
Quebec	1,244 37	692 00
Ontario Eastern	671 64	834 00
Ontario Central	579 36	611 00
Ontario Western	1,170 29	1,040 00
North West and British Columbia	1,112 25	1,064 00
Total	$ 4,965 56	$ 4,393 00

Decrease from 1921—$572 00.

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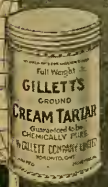

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